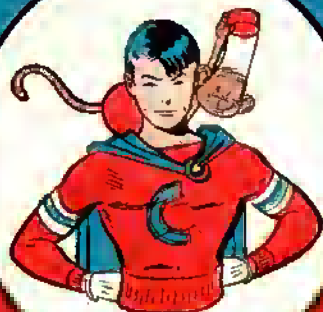


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**3** FEATURE-  
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COME CLOSER,  
C.B., WITH YOUR  
MOTOR ROARING! MAYBE  
IT'LL SCARE 'EM OFF!  
I'M GETTING TIRED! I  
'CAN'T KEEP OUT OF  
THEIR REACH MUCH  
LONGER!

KEEP 'EM  
HUNGRY FOR A  
WHILE LONGER, CRAIG!  
I'LL COME AROUND  
AGAIN! BUT THIS TIME,  
I'LL SHAVE THEIR  
WHISKERS!

CHARLES  
BIRO

IN THIS  
ISSUE:

"C.B. AND THE DEAF ONE!"  
HOW INFERRIO CAN A COMPLEX GET? YOU'LL SEE A MAN RISE  
FROM THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR WITH THE HELP OF SOME  
HOMESPUN C.B. PSYCHOLOGY AND PLENTY OF ACTION. WHAT  
WAS THE CURE FOR THIS MAN'S HOPELESS DESPAIR?

"THE MAN WHO MADE  
WORDS KILL!"  
THE WORDS A VILLAIN UTTERS  
CAN BE AS DEADLY AS THE LEAD  
IN A PISTOL.

"C.B. AND THE  
JEALOUS PARTNER!"  
MORE THAN CLASHING PERSONALITIES SUP-  
PLY A ROCKETING SERIES OF EVENTS THAT  
MAKE THIS STORY A HAIR STANDER-UPPER.



## The image is a dense collage of vintage comic book covers, primarily from the Golden Age and Silver Age of comics. The covers are arranged in a grid-like fashion, overlapping slightly. Titles visible include "Superman", "Jetta", "Mystery Comics", "Fantastic Tales", "Cosmo Cat", "Startling Comics", "Strange Mysteries", "Daring Adventures", "Famous Funnies", "Ha Ra", "Teen-Age Sweetheart", "Duck", "Eerie", "Exciting Comics", "Casper Cat", and "Barnyard Comics". Many covers feature iconic characters like Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, and various cartoon animals. A large, dark purple speech bubble with a white outline is centered over the collage. Inside the bubble, the text "WEB COMIC UNIVERSE.COM" is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The overall aesthetic is colorful and nostalgic, representing a collection of classic comic book art.



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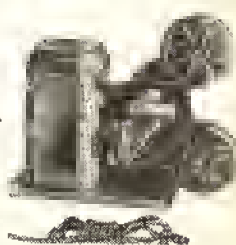
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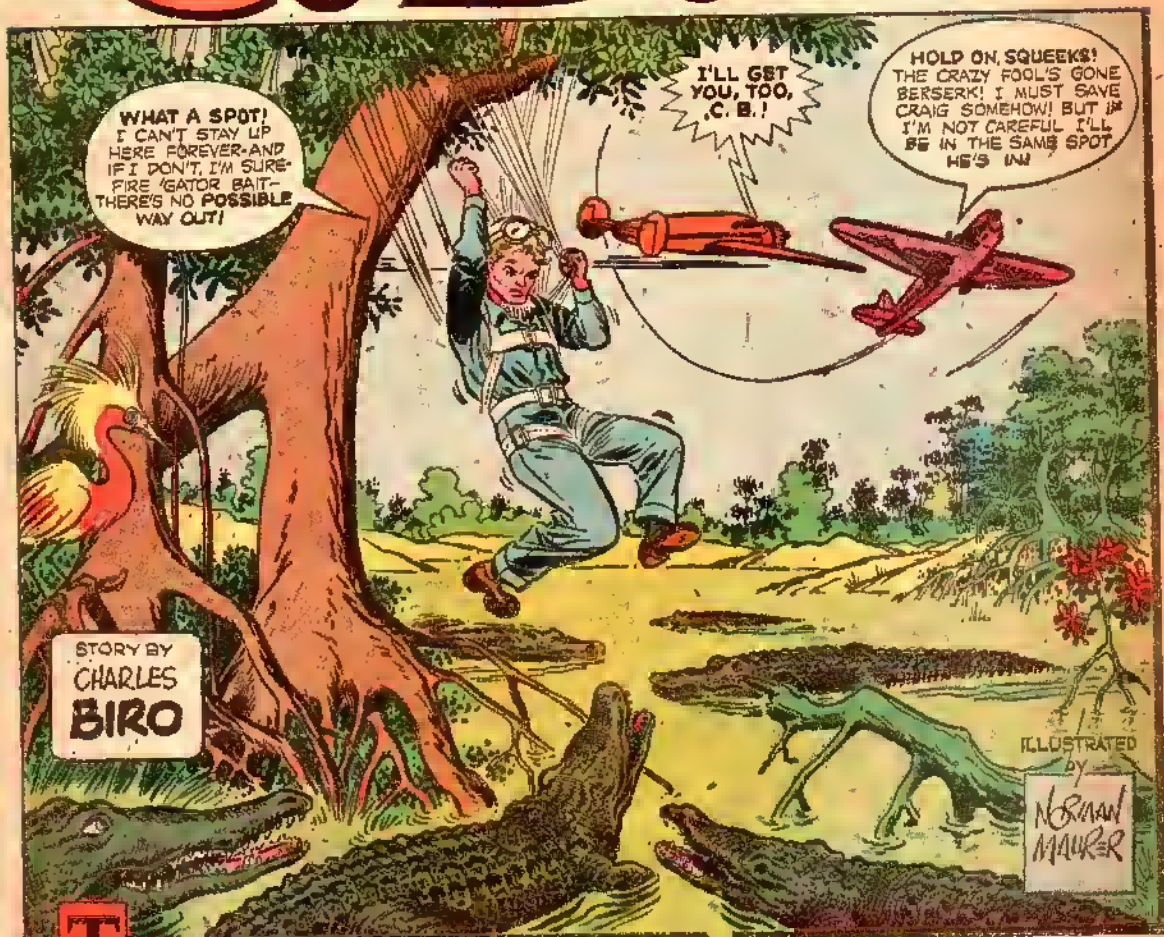
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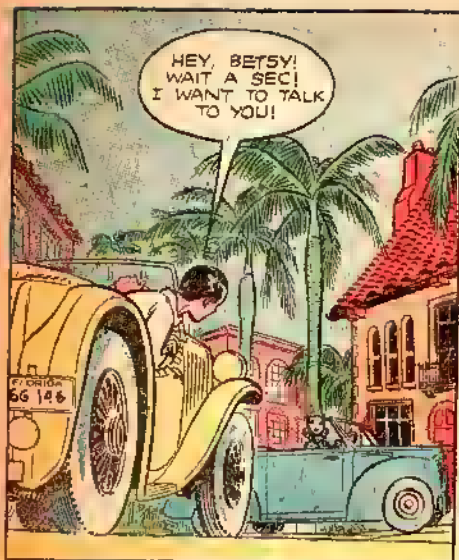


**T**HE WONDERS OF SCIENCE MAKE LIFE MORE COMFORTABLE, BUT THE WONDERS OF NATURE MAKE LIFE POSSIBLE! THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO COMPLETELY FORSAKE HEAVENLY POWER, PREFERRING ITS WEAK IMITATOR, SCIENCE! JUST ASK THE GREATEST SCIENTISTS OF OUR TIME! LIFE ON THIS EARTH IS SO WONDROUS! ALL ETERNITY WILL NEVER REVEAL ITS COUNTLESS FORMULAS! LIKE THE CYCLE OF THE RAIN-IT FALLS, CONDENSES AND RISES, ONLY TO FALL AGAIN! AND ONE OF THE GREATEST OF LIFE'S PHENOMENAS IS THAT GOOD ALWAYS CONQUERS EVIL, THAT SQUARE-SHOOTERS ALWAYS WIN WHILE BAD GUYS ALWAYS LOSE! NO HEP-THINKING GUY REALLY NEEDS THE LESSON OF THIS STORY, WHICH PROVES MY POINT AND CRIMEBUSTER'S, TOO!

*Charles Biro*





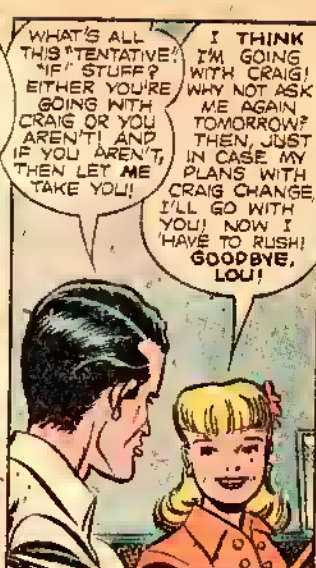


HEY, BETSY!  
WAIT A SEC!  
I WANT TO TALK  
TO YOU!



I WANT  
YOU TO GO TO  
THE SCHOOL PROM  
WITH ME THIS  
SATURDAY!  
HOW ABOUT  
IT?

OH, LOU, I'M  
SORRY, BUT I  
HAVE A  
TENTATIVE DATE  
WITH CRAIG FOR  
THAT NIGHT! BUT  
I'LL SEE YOU  
THERE IF I GO  
WITH CRAIG!

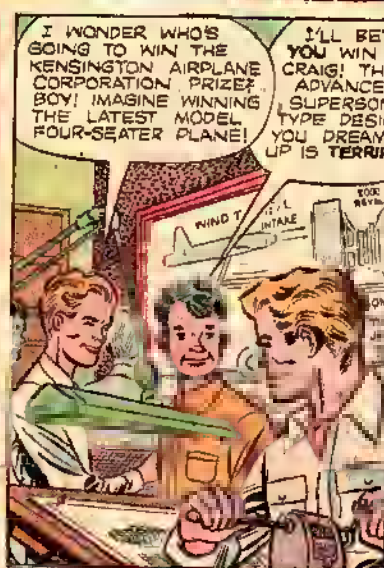


WHAT'S ALL  
THIS "TENTATIVE"  
"IF" STUFF?  
EITHER YOU'RE  
GOING WITH  
CRAIG OR YOU  
AREN'T! AND  
IF YOU AREN'T,  
THEN LET ME  
TAKE YOU!

I THINK  
I'M GOING  
WITH CRAIG!  
WHY NOT ASK  
ME AGAIN  
TOMORROW?  
THEN, JUST  
IN CASE MY  
PLANS WITH  
CRAIG CHANGE,  
I'LL GO WITH  
YOU! NOW I  
HAVE TO RUSH!  
GOODBYE,  
LOU!



CRAIG-CRAIG-CRAIG!  
THE WAY BETSY  
CARRIES A TORCH FOR  
THAT GUY! IT GIVES  
ME A PAIN!



I WONDER WHO'S  
GOING TO WIN THE  
KENSINGTON AIRPLANE  
CORPORATION PRIZE?  
BOY! IMAGINE WINNING  
THE LATEST MODEL  
FOUR-SEATER PLANE!

I'LL BET  
YOU WIN IT,  
CRAIG! THAT  
ADVANCED  
SUPERSONIC  
TYPE DESIGN  
YOU DREAMED  
UP IS TERRIFIC!



I WISH I  
FELT AS SURE  
AS YOU DO! BUT  
THIS IS A  
NATIONAL CONTEST.  
REMEMBER-AND THE  
COMPETITION IS  
TERRIFIC!

I STILL  
SAY YOU'RE  
WAY  
UP ON  
TOP!



HI! WHAT'S  
ALL THE  
CHATTER? ANY  
NEWS ON THE  
KENSINGTON  
COMPETITION  
YET?

WHY SHOULD  
YOU CARE? YOU  
HAVEN'T A CHANCE!  
THAT THING YOU  
DESIGNED WOULDN'T  
EVEN RATE A  
BOOBY PRIZE!

HELLO,  
LOU!



LOU'S "FLYING  
ELEPHANT" THE  
SAFEST PLANE  
IN THE WORLD,  
BECAUSE IT CAN'T  
TAKE OFF THE  
GROUND! HA!  
HA! HA!

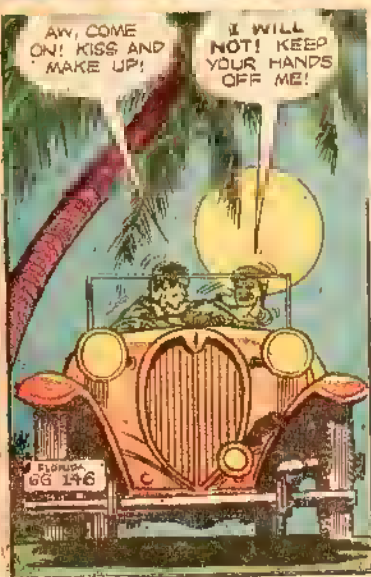
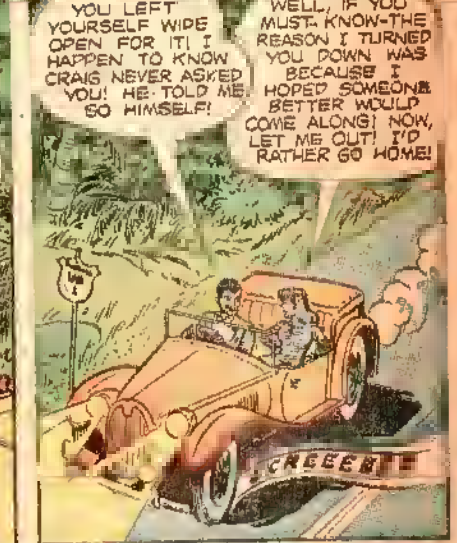
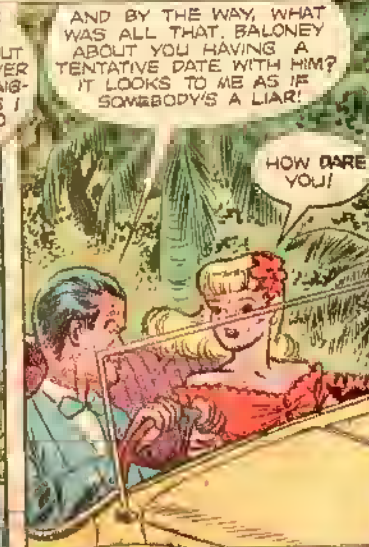
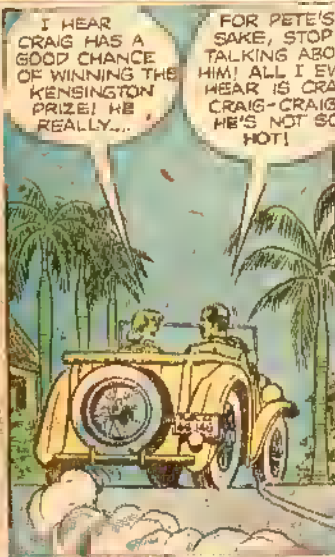
WHY,  
YOU- I'LL  
TEACH YOU TO  
WISECRACK!



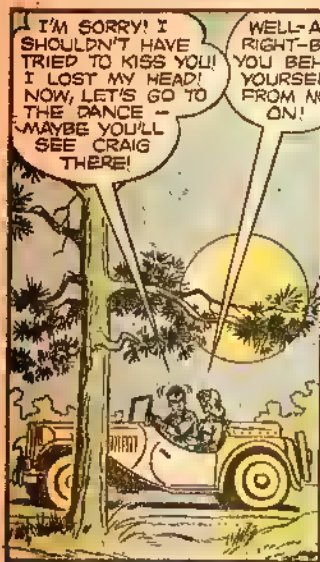
HEY! BREAK IT  
UP! TAKE IT EASY,  
LOU! JOE WAS ONLY  
KIDDING! LET'S NOT  
HAVE ANY BAD FEELINGS  
SO CLOSE TO  
GRADUATION!

OKAY! ONLY  
KEEP HIM  
OUT OF MY  
WAY....









WELL-ALL RIGHT-BUT YOU BEHAVE YOURSELF FROM NOW ON!



OH, LOOK! JOE BENTLEY IS GOING TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT!



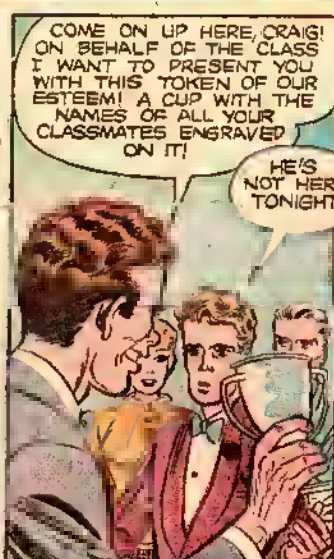
YOUR ATTENTION, EVERYONE! LET'S GIVE THREE CHEERS FOR CRAIG WILLIAMS, THE MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT IN THE GRADUATING CLASS!



YEA! CRAIG!

YEA! CRAIG!

YEA! CRAIG!



COME ON UP HERE, CRAIG! ON BEHALF OF THE CLASS I WANT TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS TOKEN OF OUR ESTEEM! A CUP WITH THE NAMES OF ALL YOUR CLASSMATES ENGRAVED ON IT!

HE'S NOT HERE TONIGHT!



LOU'S HERE! HE'S A GOOD FRIEND OF CRAIG'S! WHY NOT GIVE IT TO HIM TO GIVE TO CRAIG!

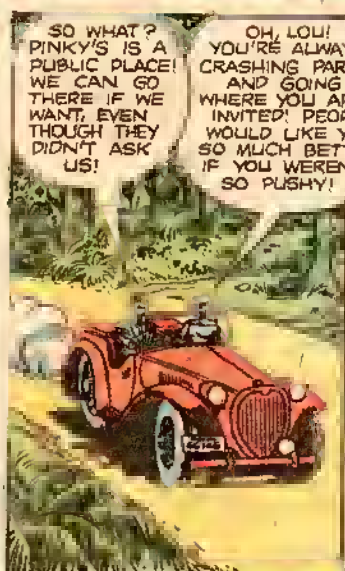
GOOD IDEA! IS THAT OKAY WITH YOU, LOU?

SURE!



SOME OF THE GALS ARE GOING OVER TO PINKY'S GREASY VEST! WHAT DO YOU SAY WE TAG ALONG?

BUT THEY DIDN'T ASK US!



SO WHAT? PINKY'S IS A PUBLIC PLACE! WE CAN GO THERE IF WE WANT, EVEN THOUGH THEY DIDN'T ASK US!

OH, LOU! YOU'RE ALWAYS CRASHING PARTIES AND GOING WHERE YOU AREN'T INVITED! PEOPLE WOULD LIKE YOU SO MUCH BETTER IF YOU WEREN'T SO PUSHY!



OH, LOOK! THERE'S CRAIG! LET'S GO EAT WITH HIM!

NO! YOU'RE MY DATE TONIGHT, AND YOU'RE GOING TO SIT WHERE I WANT-IN THIS BOOTH!



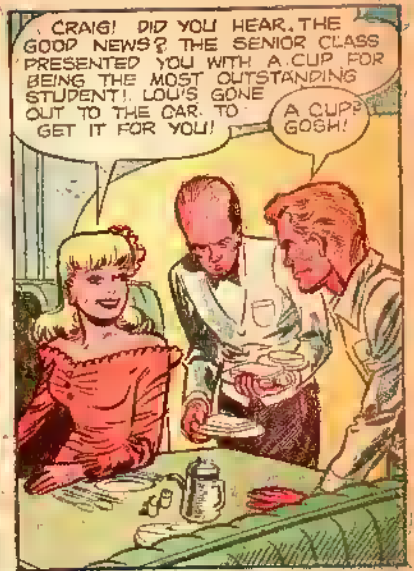


AS LONG AS HE'S HERE, WHY NOT GIVE HIM HIS CUP? IT'S RIGHT IN THE CAR!

THE CUP? OH, YEAH! OKAY, I'LL GO OUT AND GET IT!



HI, CRAIG! COME ON OVER!



CRAIG! DID YOU HEAR, THE GOOD NEWS? THE SENIOR CLASS PRESENTED YOU WITH A CUP FOR BEING THE MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT! LOU'S GONE OUT TO THE CAR TO GET IT FOR YOU!

A CUP? GOSH!



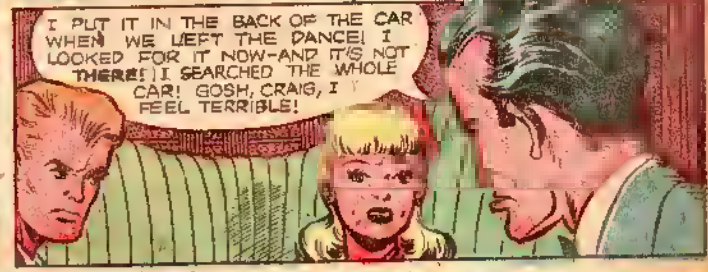
WHY DIDN'T YOU COME TO THE DANCE, CRAIG?

OH-I WAS SO EXCITED ABOUT THE CONTEST I DIDN'T THINK ABOUT THE DANCE! UNTIL LOU MENTIONED IT YESTERDAY! THEN IT WAS TOO LATE TO ASK YOU BECAUSE LOU SAID HE WAS DATING YOU; SO I DECIDED TO SKIP IT!



LOU, WHAT'S WRONG? WHERE'S THE CUP? I WAS TELLING CRAIG.....

IT'S GONE! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT!



I PUT IT IN THE BACK OF THE CAR WHEN WE LEFT THE DANCE! I LOOKED FOR IT NOW-AND IT'S NOT THERE!! I SEARCHED THE WHOLE CAR! GOSH, CRAIG, I FEEL TERRIBLE!



GEE- IT'S TOO BAD IT'S LOST, BUT IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT! MAYBE SOMEONE STOLE IT OUT OF THE CAR WHEN YOU CAME IN HERE!

YEAH- THAT'S IT! THE CAR'S OPEN! NEVER MIND, CRAIG- I'LL GET YOU A DUPLICATE! I'LL PAY FOR IT MYSELF!



DON'T BE A DOPE! I WOULDN'T THINK OF IT! IT'S LOST, AND THAT'S THAT!

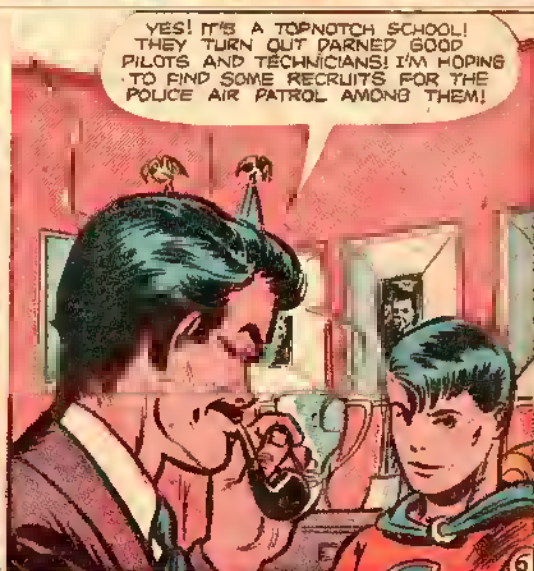
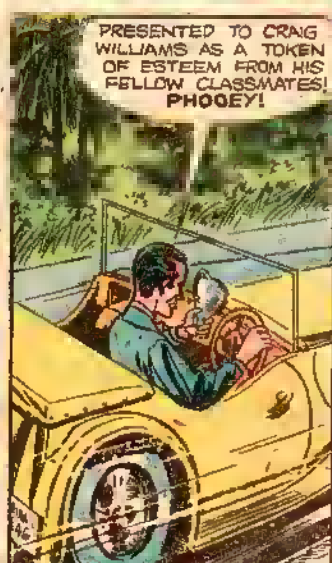
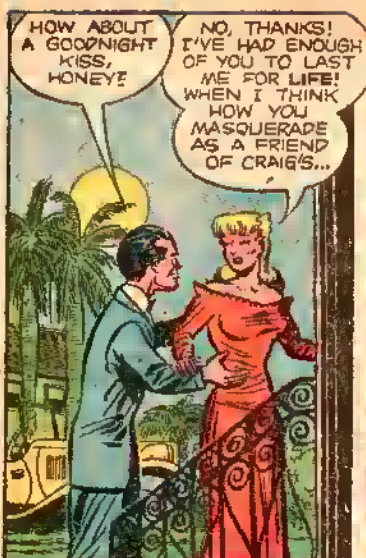
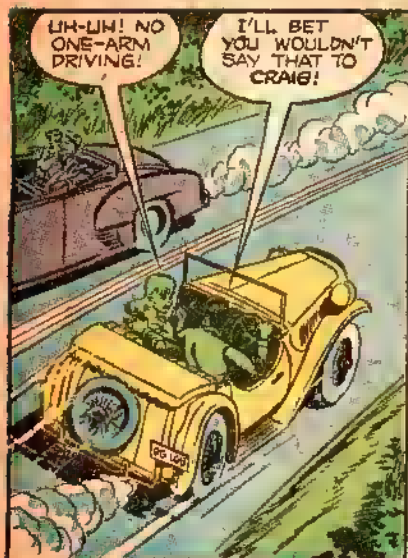
YOU SURE ARE A GOOD SPORT ABOUT IT! EXCUSE ME WHILE I PAY OUR CHECK! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!



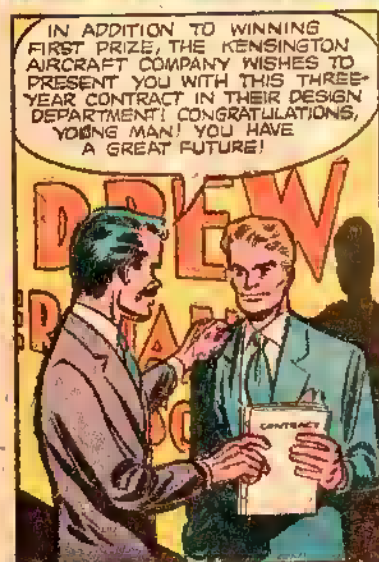
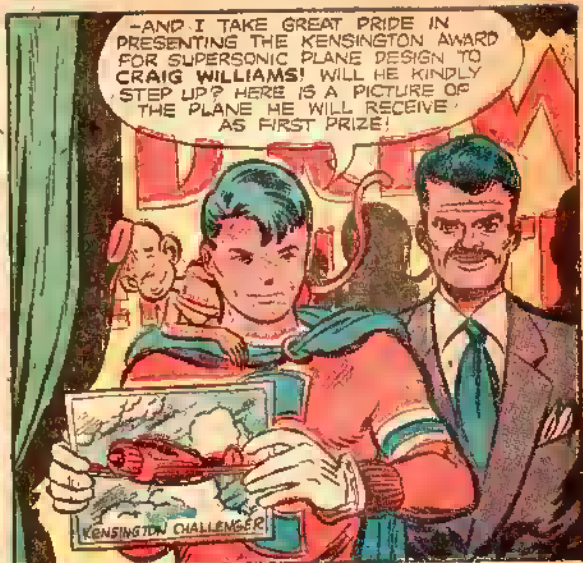
OH, CRAIG, PLEASE- YOU TAKE ME HOME! I DON'T WANT TO GO WITH LOU!

GOSH, BETSY, I'D LIKE TO, BUT LOU IS YOUR DATE! IT WOULDN'T BE FAIR TO HIM!

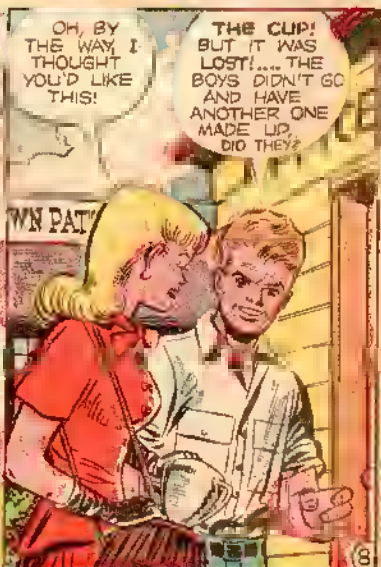
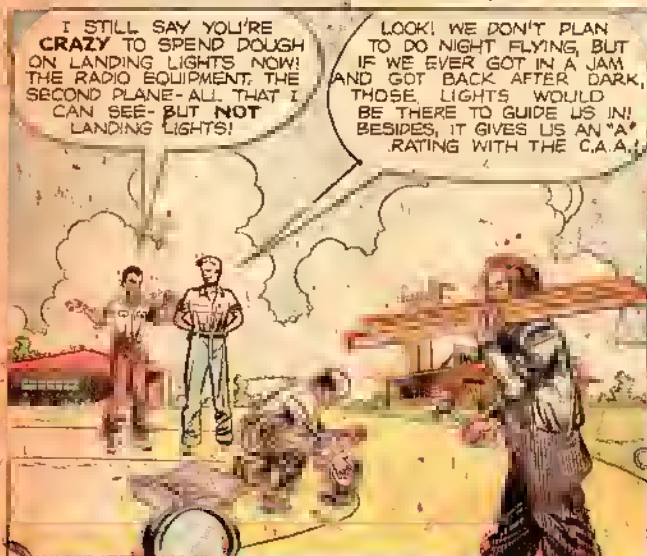
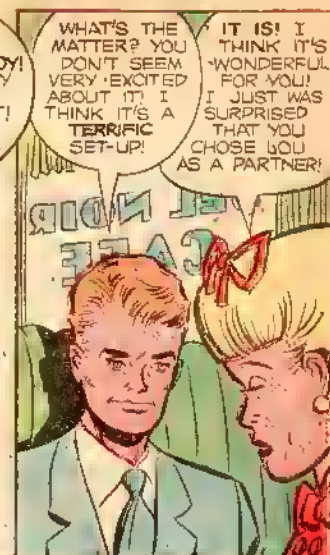
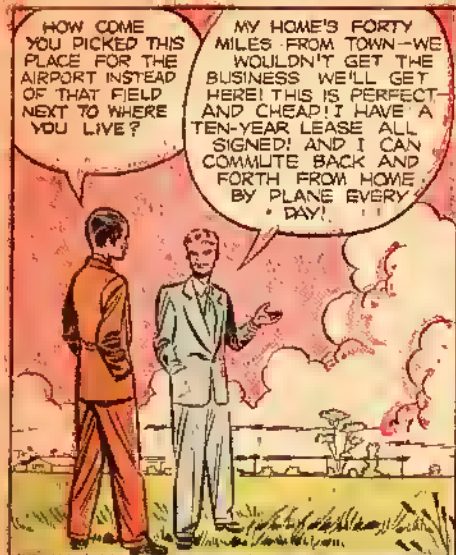




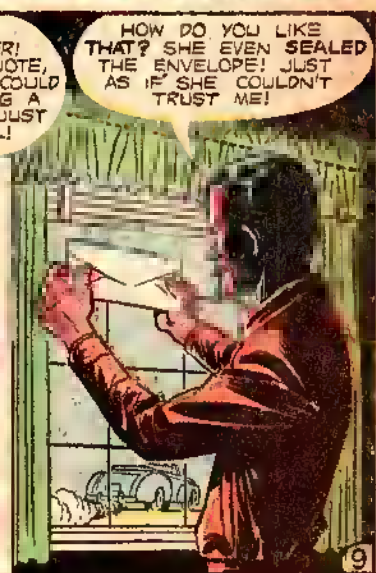
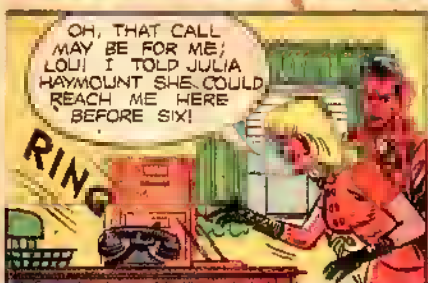
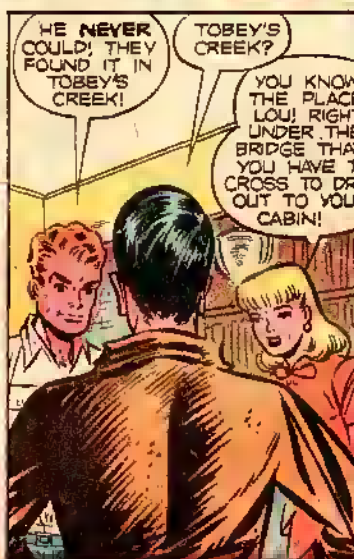
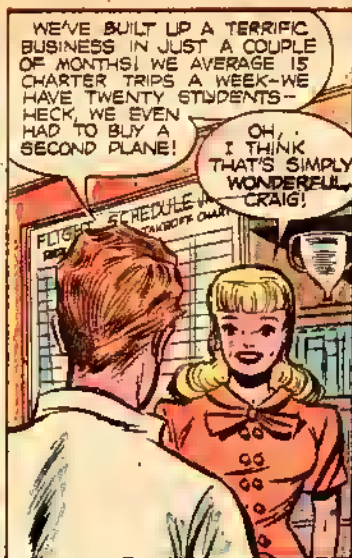




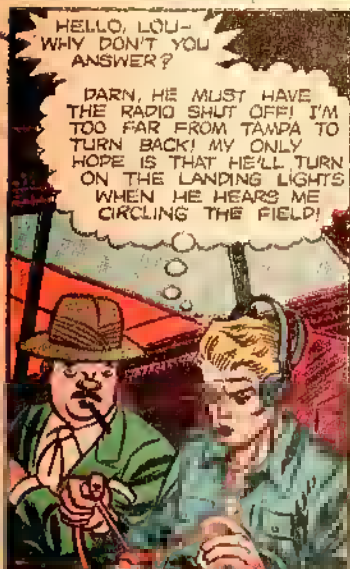
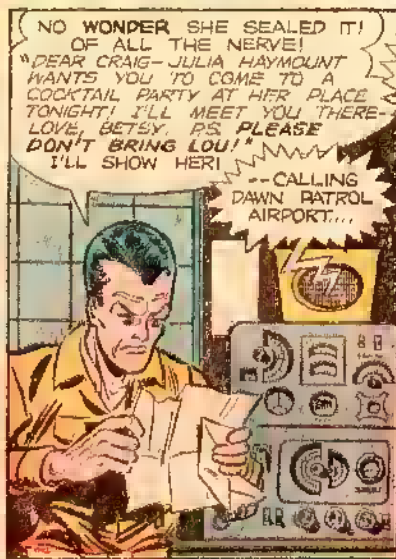
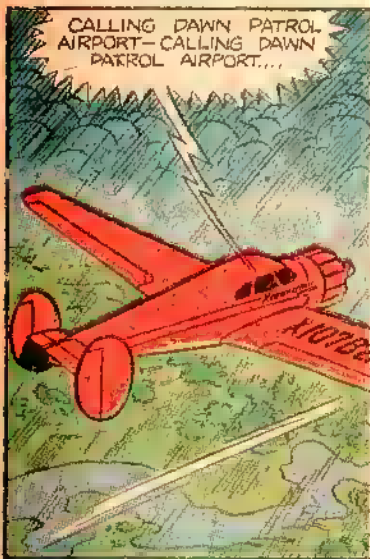
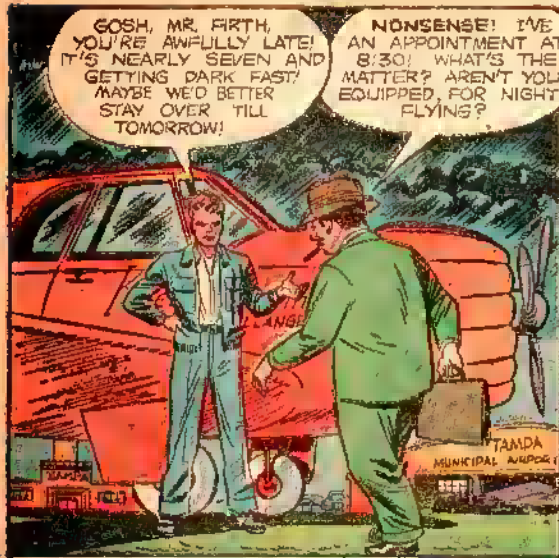




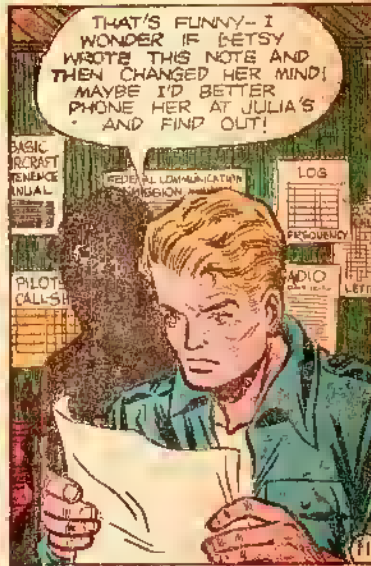
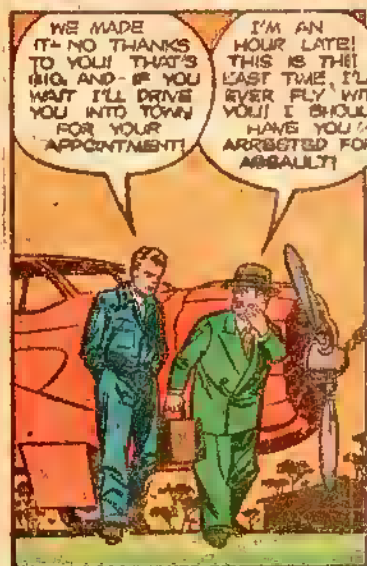
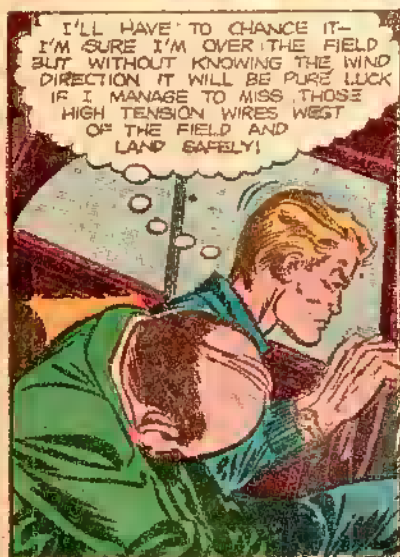
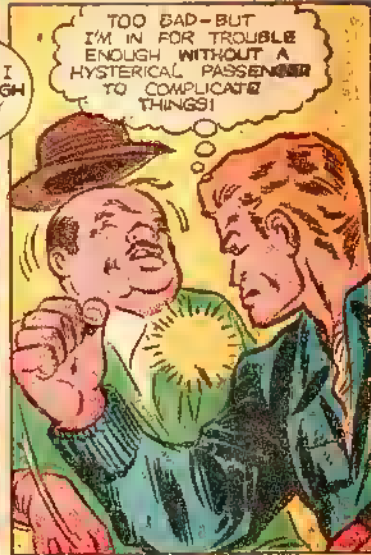




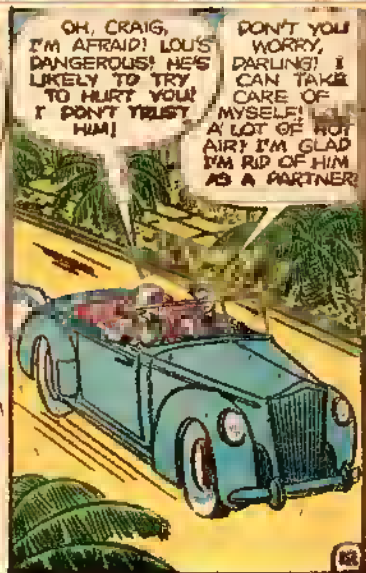
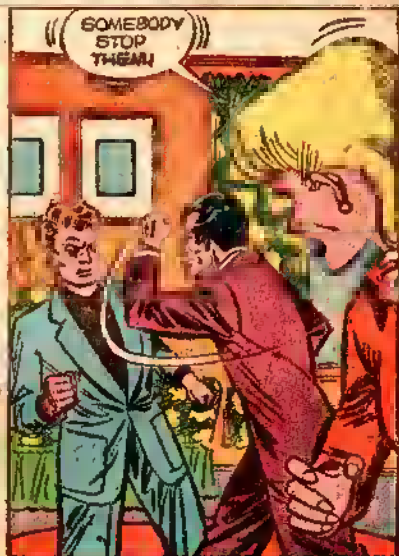
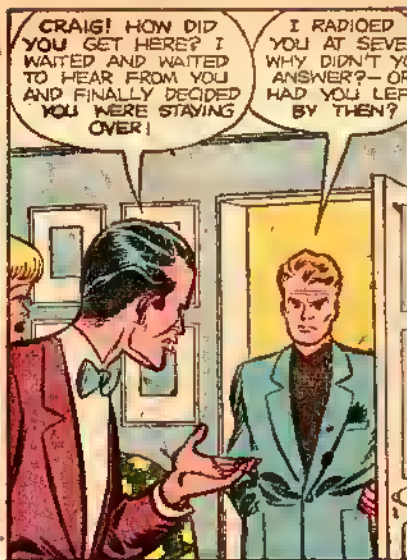














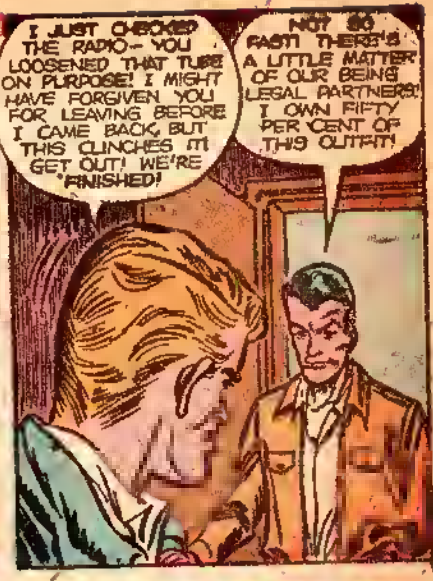


...AND AFTER  
LAST NIGHT I  
JUST KNOW  
THERE'LL BE  
TROUBLE AT  
THE AIRPORT!  
PLEASE DRIVE  
OUT WITH  
ME!

I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT  
I CAN DO, BUT  
I'LL GO IF IT  
WILL HELP!



THIS TUBE WAS LOOSENED  
DELIBERATELY! IT COULDN'T  
HAVE HAPPENED ANY OTHER  
WAY! LOU DID IT ON PURPOSE  
SO HE COULD ALIBI HIMSELF!  
WAIT TILL I SEE HIM,  
THE DIRTY RAT!



I JUST CHECKED  
THE RADIO- YOU  
LOOSENED THAT TUBE  
ON PURPOSE! I MIGHT  
HAVE FORGIVEN YOU  
FOR LEAVING BEFORE  
I CAME BACK, BUT  
THIS CLINCHES IT!  
GET OUT! WE'RE  
FINISHED!

NOT SO  
FAST! THERE'S  
A LITTLE MATTER  
OF OUR BEING  
LEGAL PARTNERS!  
I OWN FIFTY  
PER CENT OF  
THIS OUTFIT!



YOU RAT!  
YOU DIDN'T PUT  
A CENT INTO THE  
AIRPORT! BUT GO  
AHEAD, TAKE THE  
YOU THINK IS  
HALF! IT WILL BE  
WORTH IT TO BE  
RID OF YOU!

I'LL LET  
YOU OFF EASY,  
CHUM! I'LL TAKE  
THE KENSINGTON  
PLANE AS MY  
SHARE! YOU'RE  
WELCOME TO THE  
REST- AND ALL THE  
PAYMENTS STILL  
DUE...



THE  
KENSINGTON'S  
MINE! I WON IT  
AND I'M KEEPING  
IT! YOU TAKE THE  
NEW TWO-SEATER-  
YOU KNOW THE  
PLANE I WON  
HAS TWICE  
THE POWER!

SURE! THAT'S  
WHY I'M TAKING  
IT! AND YOU'RE  
NOT GOING TO  
STOP ME! NOT  
UNLESS YOU  
WANT  
TROUBLE!



BETSY WAS RIGHT! YOU  
ARE COMPLETELY ROTTEN!  
ONE OF THESE DAYS YOU'RE  
GOING TO WIND UP BEHIND  
BARS- TAKE IT! ONLY DON'T  
EVER LET ME CATCH YOU  
WITHOUT A  
GUN....

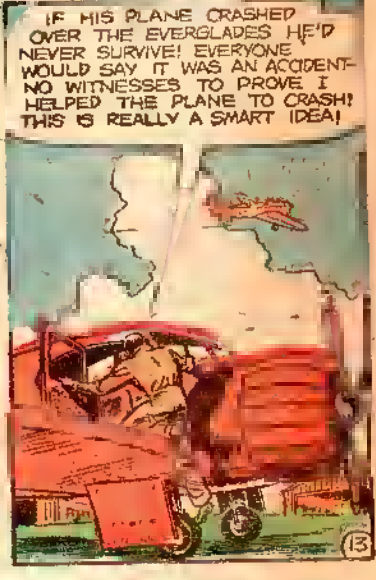
TRY  
SOMETHING-  
I DARE  
YOU!



NO, THANKS! I'M TAKING  
OFF IN THE OTHER PLANE  
AND I WON'T BE BACK TILL  
YOU'RE GONE! I KNOW YOU  
WOULD LOVE A CHANCE TO SAY  
YOU SHOT IN SELF-DEFENSE!  
JUST CLEAR OUT OF HERE  
BY NOON- OR ELSE...



HE PLAYED IT SMART! HE  
KNEW I WAS TRYING TO  
PROVOKE HIM INTO A FIGHT!  
I'LL NEVER REST TILL HE'S  
DEAD- I'LL GET HIM YET!

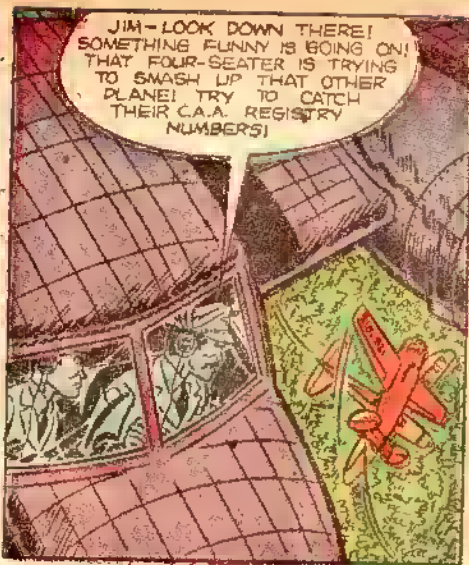


IF HIS PLANE CRASHED  
OVER THE EVERGLADES HE'D  
NEVER SURVIVE! EVERYONE  
WOULD SAY IT WAS AN ACCIDENT-  
NO WITNESSES TO PROVE I  
HELPED THE PLANE TO CRASH!  
THIS IS REALLY A SMART IDEA!





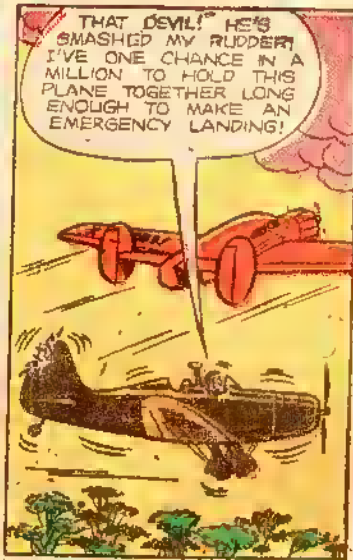
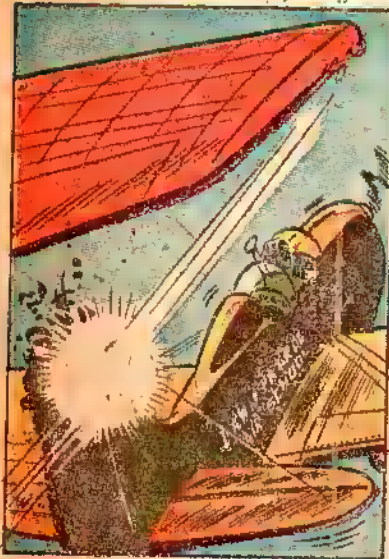
THE INSANE FOOL!  
HE'S DELIBERATELY  
TRYING TO FORCE  
ME TO CRASH!



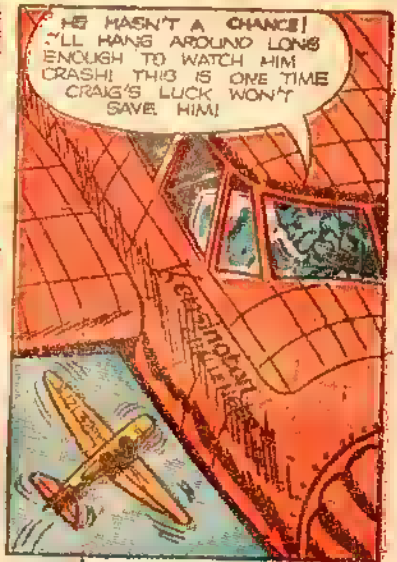
JIM-LOOK DOWN THERE!  
SOMETHING FUNNY IS GOING ON!  
THAT FOUR-SEATER IS TRYING  
TO SMASH UP THAT OTHER  
PLANE! TRY TO CATCH  
THEIR C.A.A. REGISTRY  
NUMBERS!



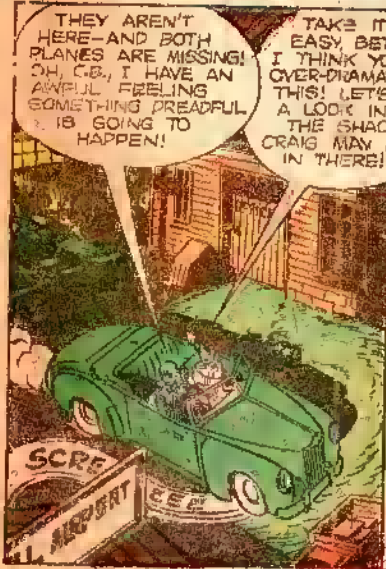
HELLO-HELLO-  
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT?  
THIS IS FLIGHT #247  
REPORTING! TWO MONOPLANES  
ARE IN A DOGFIGHT ABOUT  
TEN MILES EAST OF  
ORANGE CITY HIGHWAY!  
GOT THE NUMBERS-  
X-107-B2! AND X-121-32!



THAT DEVIL! HE'S  
SMASHED MY RUDDER!  
I'VE ONE CHANCE IN A  
MILLION TO HOLD THIS  
PLANE TOGETHER LONG  
ENOUGH TO MAKE AN  
EMERGENCY LANDING!



HE HASN'T A CHANCE!  
I'LL HANG AROUND LONG  
ENOUGH TO WATCH HIM  
CRASH! THIS IS ONE TIME  
CRAIG'S LUCK WON'T  
SAVE HIM!



THEY AREN'T  
HERE-AND BOTH  
PLANES ARE MISSING!  
OH, C.B., I HAVE AN  
AWFUL FEELING  
SOMETHING DREADFUL  
IS GOING TO  
HAPPEN!

TAKE IT  
EASY, BETSY!  
I THINK YOU'RE  
OVER-DRAMATIZING  
THIS! LET'S TAKE  
A LOOK INSIDE  
THE SHACK!  
CRAIG MAY BE  
IN THERE!



PILOT OF MIAMI-NEW ORLEANS  
TRANSPORT FLIGHT REPORTS  
SIGHTING TWO MONOPLANES  
IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE A  
DOGFIGHT OVER EVERGLADES-  
APPROXIMATE POSITION ABOUT  
10 MILES EAST OF HIGHWAY 9-  
C.A.A. NUMBERS  
X-107-B2! AND  
X-121-32!

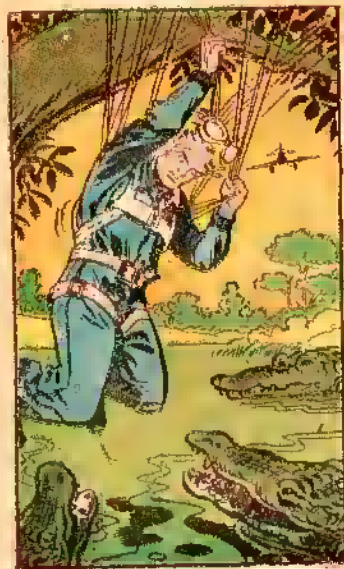
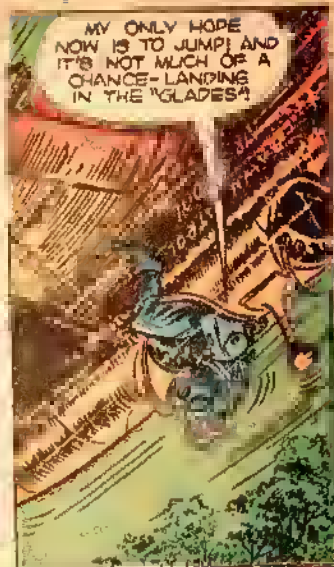
IT'S CRAIG  
AND LOU! CRAIG'S  
KENSINGTON IS  
107-B2! NOW  
WILL YOU  
BELIEVE ME?



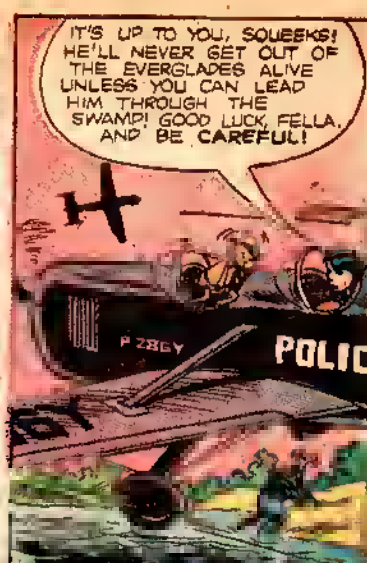
THIS IS C.B. CALLING  
FROM DAWN PATROL  
AIRPORT-REQUEST USE  
OF POLICE PLANE TO  
BREAK UP DOGFIGHT  
OVER EVERGLADES-  
URGENT-

MUNICIPAL  
AIRPORT CALLING-  
WILL DISPATCH  
PLANE AT ONCE-  
STAND BY READY  
TO TAKE OFF-













I CAN'T KEEP THIS UP MUCH LONGER—I'VE LOST TRACK OF HOW LONG WE'VE BEEN UP! IF HE WERE A BETTER PILOT I'D NEVER HAVE LASTED THIS LONG!



IT WORKED! I OUT-LASTED HIM—THERE GOES HIS MOTOR—HE'S ALREADY LOSING ALTITUDE FAST...

PUTT PUTT  
PUTT PUTT



IF HE LIVED THROUGH THAT, HE'S LUCKY! I'D BETTER CHECK—EVEN THOUGH HE'S A RAT HE DESERVES TO BE RESCUED IF HE SURVIVED!



ALLIGATORS! LOU'S A GONER! THERE'S NOT A THING I CAN DO TO SAVE HIM—IF HE IS STILL ALIVE! HE GOT THE DEATH HE'D PLANNED FOR CRAIG—AND ME!



THIS IS THE CLOSEST POINT TO WHERE I LAST SAW CRAIG AND SQUEEKS FROM THE AIR! IT WAS HOURS AGO—BUT IF ANYONE COULD FIND HIS WAY THROUGH THIS TREACHEROUS SWAMP SQUEEKS COULD!—HELLO, SQUEEKS! HELLO, SQUEEKS!



IF THE 'GATORS DIDN'T GET 'EM—THE QUICKSAND DID! THAT'S MY GUESS! WE'RE WASTING OUR TIME!



OH, NO! CRAIG CAN'T BE DEAD! HE CAN'T! I LOVE HIM TOO MUCH! I DON'T BELIEVE IT, I...

WAIT—LOOK! DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?



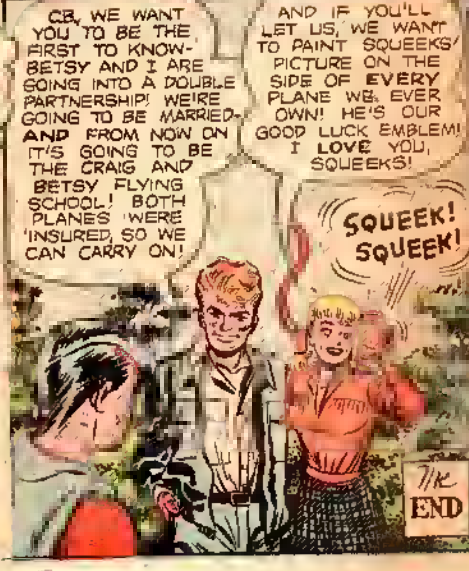
SQUEEKS, SQUEEKS, YOU MADE IT!

**SQUEEK!  
SQUEEK!**

CRAIG! OH, CRAIG, YOU'RE ALIVE!



SQUEEKS, YOU'RE A HERO! GOSH, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW WORRIED I WAS! IF ANYTHING HAD HAPPENED TO YOU...



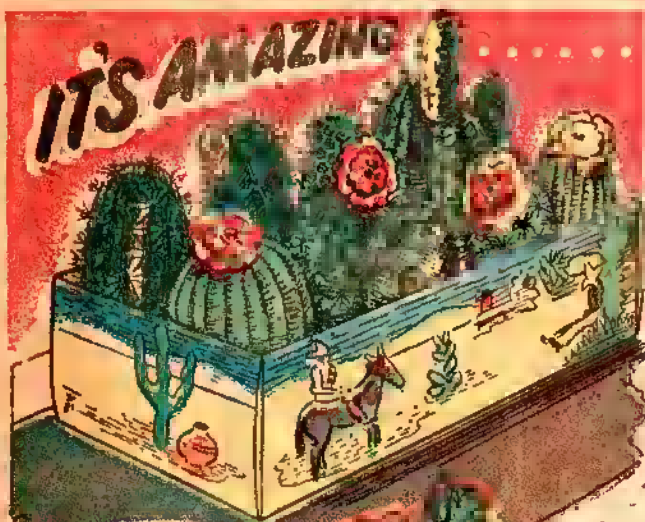
CB, WE WANT YOU TO BE THE FIRST TO KNOW—BETSY AND I ARE GOING INTO A DOUBLE PARTNERSHIP! WE'RE GOING TO BE MARRIED—AND FROM NOW ON IT'S GOING TO BE THE CRAIG AND BETSY FLYING SCHOOL! BOTH PLANES WERE INSURED, SO WE CAN CARRY ON!

AND IF YOU'LL LET US, WE WANT TO PAINT SQUEEKS' PICTURE ON THE SIDE OF EVERY PLANE WE EVER OWN! HE'S OUR GOOD LUCK EMBLEM! I LOVE YOU, SQUEEKS!

**SQUEEK!  
SQUEEK!**

THE  
END





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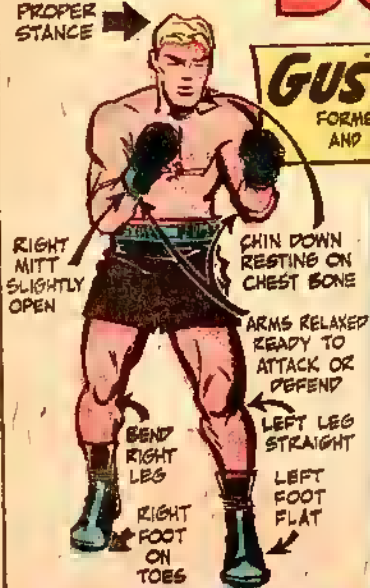
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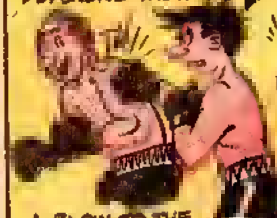


ALWAYS MOVE INTO YOUR OPPONENT WHEN PUNCHING. DON'T BACK AWAY. DON'T SWING OR SWAY...



PUT YOUR BODY INTO THE PUNCH. PUNCH STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER.

DEFENSIVE TACTICS →



A BLOW TO THE CHIN CAN BE CAUGHT WITH YOUR SHOULDER...



ALWAYS MOVE IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION OF YOUR OPPONENT'S BEST BLOW...



IN SLIPPING PUNCHES, MOVE YOUR HEAD SLIGHTLY TO THE LEFT OR RIGHT, MAKING YOUR OPPONENT MISS. KNOW-HOW COMES WITH PRACTICE...



WHEN YOU'RE HURT OR TIRED, MOVE IN CLOSE AND CLINCH WITH YOUR OPPONENT BY PINNING HIS ARMS AGAINST YOUR BODY, UNTIL THE REFEREE TELLS YOU TO 'BREAK!'

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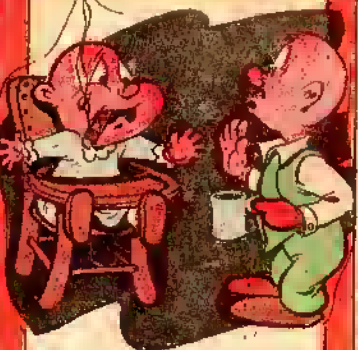
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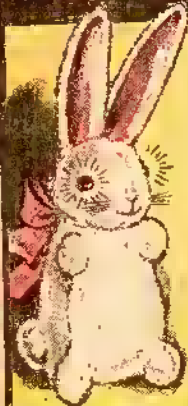
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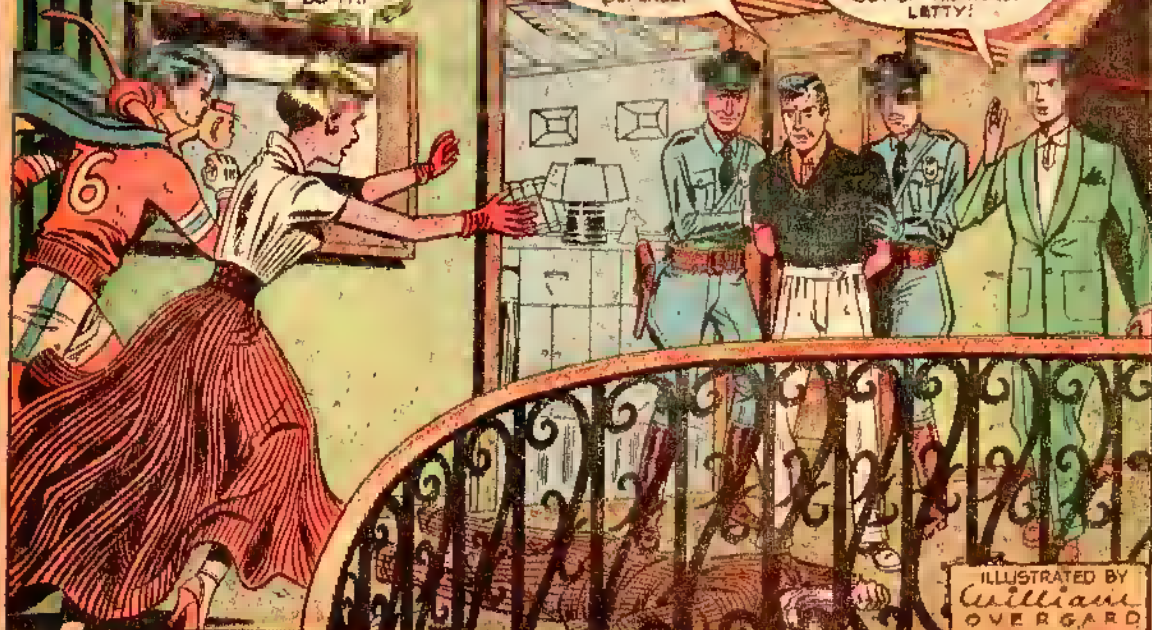
AND THE MAN  
WHO MADE  
WORDS KILL!

STORY BY  
**CHARLES  
BIRO**

JOHN!  
JOHN! TELL  
ME YOU DIDN'T  
DO IT!!

I DID, LETTY!  
I HAD TO—IT WAS  
IN SELF-  
DEFENSE!

I TRIED TO STOP  
HIM, BUT HE WOULDN'T  
LISTEN! HE'S COMPLETELY  
OUT OF HIS MIND.  
LETTY!



ILLUSTRATED BY  
*William  
OVERGARD*

IF BEFORE THE COMMISSION OF HIS CRIME, THE CRIMINAL COULD FEEL THE MADDENING TORTURE OF IMPRISONMENT, HE WOULD FORGET HIS PLANS AND RUN THE OTHER WAY! IN SOME RESPECTS ANIMALS HAVE MORE SENSE THAN CRIMINALS! WHEN THEY ARE UNHAPPY WITH THEIR ENVIRONMENT OR LOT, THEY DON'T DEVOUR THEIR MASTERS—THEY KNOW IT'S A LOT LESS TROUBLE AND SAFER TO TAKE A LONG WALK, AND MAKE A NEW START SOMEWHERE ELSE! BUT NOT SO WITH THE NARROW, BITTER MIND OF A DELIBERATE MURDERER! REGARDLESS OF THE MOTIVE, HE IS MUCH TOO SHORT-SIGHTED TO KNOW THAT ALL HE'D HAVE TO DO TO CHANGE THE DISTASTEFUL PREDICAMENT WHICH IS DRIVING HIM TO MURDER IS TO PICK UP STICKS AND START A NEW LIFE IF HE DIDN'T LIKE THE OLD ONE! HE COULD HAVE DONE THIS INSTEAD OF A TALE OF A BAWDYHEAD WHO THOUGHT HE COULD BEND DESTINY TO HIS WILL!

*Charles Biro*

LETTY, DARLING, I WANT  
YOU TO GET RID OF THAT  
COOK! PLEASE DON'T ARGUE  
I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING  
ABOUT! SHE STEALS AND  
SHE SPIES ON ME!

OH, JOHN, HOW  
CAN YOU SAY  
SUCH THINGS!  
ALL MRS. BAILEY  
THINKS ABOUT IS  
COOKING! WHY  
SHOULD SHE SPIE  
ON YOU!

I JUST DON'T KNOW  
WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO  
YOU THESE PAST FEW  
MONTHS! YOU MADE ME  
FIRE THE LAST COOK ON  
THE SAME PRETEXT AND  
I KNOW PERFECTLY WELL  
SHE WAS ABSOLUTELY  
HONEST—AND THE SAME  
THING WITH THE  
LAST ONE!

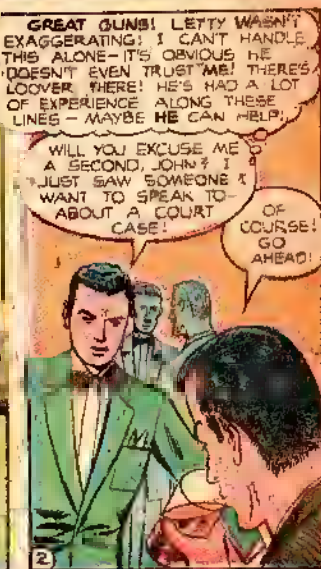
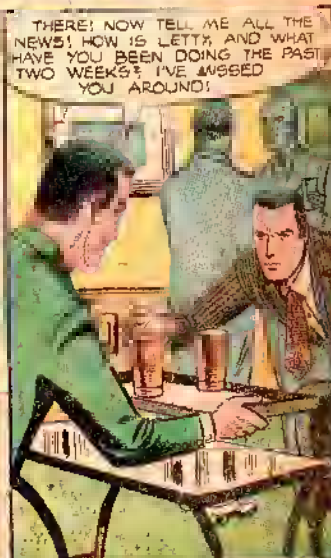
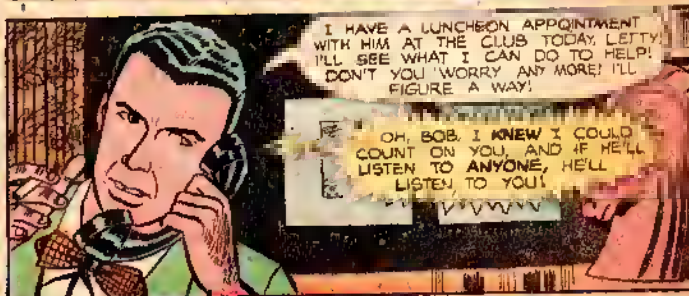
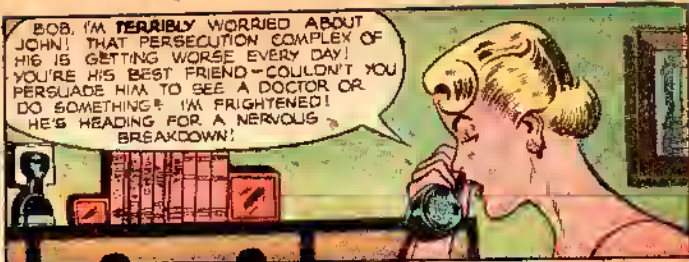
HE TRIED TO RUN ME  
DOWN WITH THE CAR!  
HE SAID THE BRAKES  
SLIPPED, BUT I  
KNOW BETTER  
THAN THAT!

JOHN, IT WAS AN  
ACCIDENT! EVEN THE  
GARAGEMAN SAID THE  
BRAKES WERE DEFECTIVE!  
I HATE TO SAY THIS,  
JOHN, BUT I THINK YOU  
SHOULD SEE A DOCTOR!  
I THINK YOU'RE  
DEVELOPING A RE-  
PERSECUTION  
COMPLEX!

WHAT! HOW  
DARE YOU  
SUGGEST SUCH  
A THING!  
YOU'RE ACCUSING  
ME OF BEING  
INSANE!











WELL, YOU CAN HELP HIM, LOOVER! YOU'VE HAD A LOT OF EXPERIENCE WITH NEUROTIC PEOPLE! JOHN'S SUCH A NICE GUY I HATE TO SEE HIM GO OFF THE DEEP END!

I'LL BE GLAD TO TALK TO HIM! I'VE ALWAYS BEEN FOND OF JOHN! YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, C.B.?

SURE!



DO ME A FAVOR AND HAVE ME PAGED, C.B.! THAT WAY, LOOVER, CAN HAVE A CLEAR FIELD TO TALK TO JOHN ALONE!

I'LL BE GLAD TO, BOB!



YOU LOOK A LITTLE TIRED, JOHN! YOU'RE NOT OVER-DOING THINGS, ARE YOU?

MR. NORTON? THERE'S A CALL FOR YOU ON THE HOUSE PHONE!

EXCUSE ME, GENTLEMEN!



I UNDERSTAND YOU SAW SOME PRETTY HEAVY ACTION DURING THE WAR! DID YOU EVER HAVE ANY MEDICAL CHECKUP AFTER YOU WERE DISCHARGED? YOU KNOW, OFTEN YOU GET A DELAYED REACTION FROM WAR EXPERIENCES...

I'M PERFECTLY WELL!



OF COURSE YOU ARE! I MEANT THAT OFTEN IT AFFECTS YOUR NERVES! I NOTICE YOU SEEM MORE KEED UP THAN I'VE EVER SEEN YOU BEFORE! THERE'S NOTHING TROUBLING YOU, IS THERE?

NO, THERE ISN'T! WHAT'S THE IDEA OF ALL THESE QUESTIONS? WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE TO CROSS EXAMINE ME?



WHY, I'M YOUR FRIEND! I'M INTERESTED IN YOU!

FRIEND! SINCE WHEN? I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOU! YOU'RE JUST ANOTHER SPY! YOU'RE TRYING TO PIN SOMETHING ON ME!



I'VE HAD ALL I CAN STAND! IT'S TIME FOR A SHOWDOWN! THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HANDLE YOUR KIND-

JOHN! JOHN! STOP IT! DON'T-



JOHN! YOU CRAZY FOOL! STOP!



LET ME GO! LET ME GO! YOU'RE ALL AGAINST ME! IT'S A PLOT!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, LOOVER? WHAT HAPPENED?





HE CAUGHT ME OFF-GUARD—NOTHING SERIOUS! I'M AFRAID HE NEEDS PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT IMMEDIATELY! IT'S LUCKY THIS HAPPENED AMONG FRIENDS, SO THAT IT CAN BE HANDLED QUIETLY! I'VE A FRIEND WHO'S A PSYCHIATRIST! PERHAPS WE'D BETTER TAKE HIM THERE FOR AN EXAMINATION!

POOR JOHN! I DREAD HAVING TO BREAK THE NEWS TO LETTY!



...AND SO HE HAD TO BE RUSHED RIGHT OFF TO THE SANATORIUM! YOU'LL HAVE TO SIGN PAPERS GIVING YOUR CONSENT FOR HIM TO BE TREATED, SO I'LL TAKE YOU THERE!

OH, POOR JOHN! I'VE BEEN SO WORRIED BUT I NEVER DREAMED IT COULD BE SO SERIOUS! HE MUST GET BETTER! HE MUST!



YOUR HUSBAND'S CONDITION IS SERIOUS! HIS CHANCES OF RECOVERY ARE VERY SLIGHT! HE MAY RESPOND TO SHOCK TREATMENT BUT I CAN'T PROMISE A THING! ONLY TIME WILL TELL!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! SOB! SOB!



BOB, YOU'RE JOHN'S BEST FRIEND, SO YOU CAN UNDERSTAND HOW I FEEL! YOU KNOW WHAT A WONDERFUL PERSON JOHN WAS—UNTIL THIS HAPPENED! I'M SO GLAD I HAVE YOU TO TALK TO!

I'M GLAD YOU FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT ME, LETTY! I HOPE YOU WILL LET ME HELP YOU ALL I CAN!



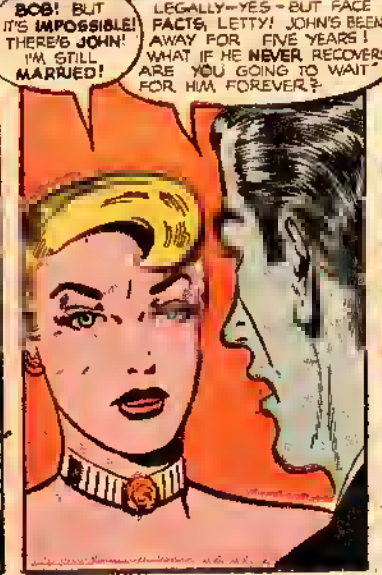
I HAD A LETTER FROM THE SANATORIUM TODAY AND IT SAYS JOHN'S CONDITION IS WORSE THAN EVER! IT MAKES ME FEEL SO UNHAPPY! I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'D DO IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU BEING SO KIND TO ME! GOING OUT LIKE THIS HELPS ME SO MUCH!

I ENJOY BEING WITH YOU, LETTY! I ONLY WISH THE CIRCUMSTANCES WERE DIFFERENT!



I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU MEAN, BOB!

YOU STILL THINK OF ME AS JOHN'S BEST FRIEND—I WISH YOU COULD THINK OF ME AS MORE THAN THAT—OH, LETTY, I MAY AS WELL CONFESS—I LOVE YOU!



BOB! BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! THERE'S JOHN! I'M STILL MARRIED!

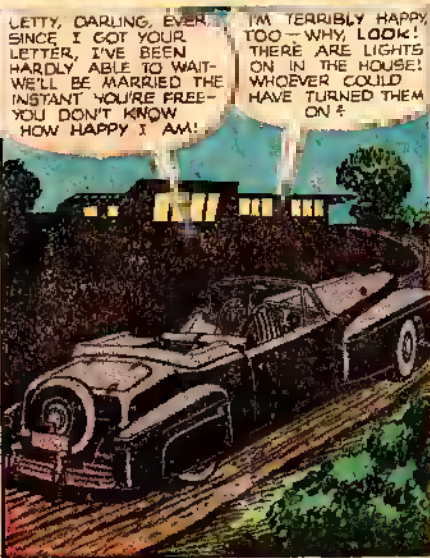
LEGALLY—YES—BUT FACE FACTS, LETTY! JOHN'S BEEN AWAY FOR FIVE YEARS! WHAT IF HE NEVER RECOVERS? ARE YOU GOING TO WAIT FOR HIM FOREVER?



I—I HADN'T THOUGHT THAT FAR AHEAD!

BUT YOU MUST! THERE'S A STATE LAW THAT WOULD RELEASE YOU FROM YOUR MARRIAGE TO JOHN IF HE REMAINS IN A MENTAL INSTITUTION FOR MORE THAN FIVE YEARS!







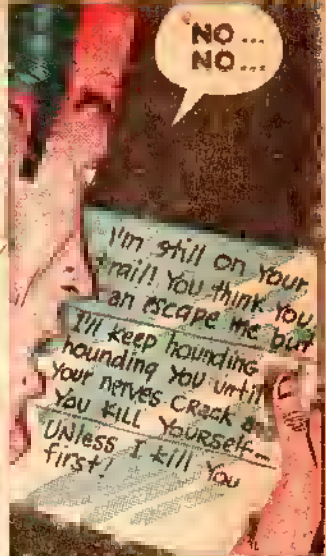


THIS WEEK HAS BEEN THE HAPPIEST IN MY LIFE! WE'RE TOGETHER AGAIN, AND I'M ALL CURED OF TERRIBLE BLACK THOUGHTS AND SUSPICIONS! NEXT WEEK, I'LL START BACK TO WORK!

OH, OH, SPEAKING OF WORK, I'LL BE LATE IF I DON'T LEAVE RIGHT AWAY! I'M HANDING IN MY RESIGNATION TODAY, SO HEREAFTER I'LL BE A HOUSEWIFE INSTEAD OF A CAREER GIRL!



IT'S LONESOME WITH LETTY AWAY! HMM...HERE'S SOME MAIL! MAYBE THERE'S A LETTER FROM THE OFFICE FOR ME! HMM...NOTHING BUT AN AD...NO...WAIT A SEC...WHAT'S WRITTEN ON THE BACK?



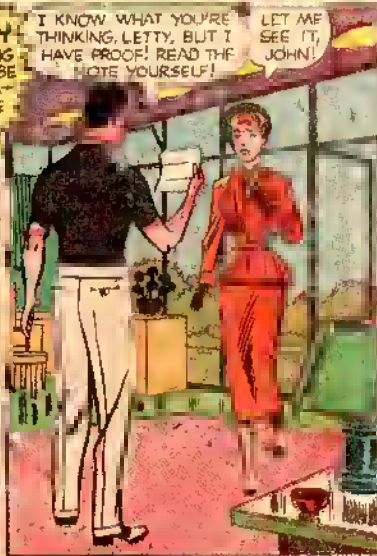
NO... NO...

I'm still on your trail! You think you can escape me but I'll keep hounding you until your nerves crack and you kill yourself... Unless I kill you first!



LETTY-YOU MUST COME HOME AT ONCE! I'VE JUST RECEIVED A THREATENING NOTE! I CAN PROVE IT! I HAVE IT RIGHT HERE! PLEASE COME HOME!

JOHN! OH, NO! IT CAN'T BE HAPPENING AGAIN! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK- ONLY, PLEASE BE CALM!



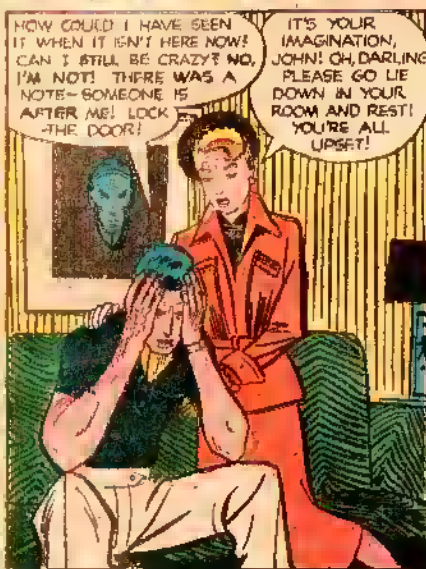
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING, LETTY, BUT I HAVE PROOF! READ THE NOTE YOURSELF!

LET ME SEE IT, JOHN!



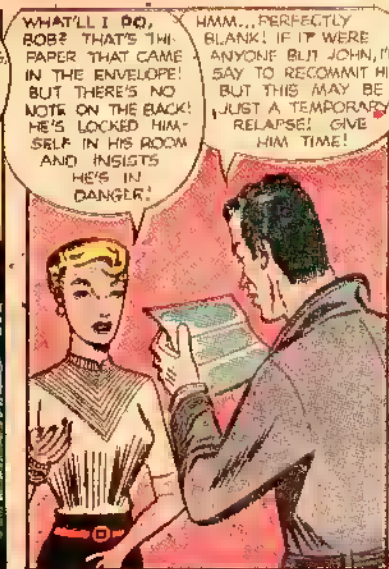
NOTE! I DON'T SEE ANY NOTE! THIS IS JUST AN ADVERTISEMENT! OH, JOHN, IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN- YOU'RE IMAGINING THINGS!

I'M NOT! I SWEAR I'M NOT! THERE WAS A NOTE WRITTEN ON THERE!



HOW COULD I HAVE SEEN IT WHEN IT ISN'T HERE NOW! CAN I STILL BE CRAZY? NO, I'M NOT! THERE WAS A NOTE-SOMEONE IS AFTER ME! LOCK THE DOOR!

IT'S YOUR IMAGINATION, JOHN! OH, DARLING, PLEASE GO LIE DOWN IN YOUR ROOM AND REST! YOU'RE ALL UPSET!



WHAT'LL I DO, BOB? THAT'S THE PAPER THAT CAME IN THE ENVELOPE! BUT THERE'S NO NOTE ON THE BACK! HE'S LOCKED HIMSELF IN HIS ROOM AND INSISTS HE'S IN DANGER!

HMM...PERFECTLY BLANK! IF IT WERE ANYONE BUT JOHN, I'D SAY TO RECOMMIT HIM- BUT THIS MAY BE JUST A TEMPORARY RELAPSE! GIVE HIM TIME!



BOB! WHY ARE YOU BURNING THAT UP?

FOR JOHN'S SAKE, LETTY! IF THE AUTHORITIES LEARNED ABOUT THIS NOTE BUSINESS AND SAW THIS BLANK PAPER, THEY MIGHT TAKE HIM BACK! I WOULDN'T MENTION IT IF I WERE YOU!





IT'S STRANGE... I HAD A REPORT FROM THE HEAD DOCTOR WHEN JOHN WAS RELEASED, AND HE DECLARED HIM FULLY CURED! MAYBE THERE'S SOMETHING MORE TO THIS! IT'S WORTH INVESTIGATING! WOULD YOU HANDLE THIS CASE, C.B.?

I'LL BE GLAD TO DO IT, LOOPER!

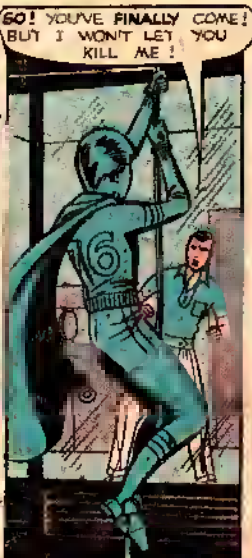
IT'S TOO BAD YOU DESTROYED THAT NOTE, BOB! IT MIGHT HAVE HELPED TO HAVE IT! NOW, ALL I HAVE TO GO ON IS THIS ENVELOPE! I THINK I'LL GO SPEAK TO JOHN AND SEE IF HE CAN REMEMBER THE WORDING OF THAT NOTE!

SURELY YOU DON'T BELIEVE HIS CRAZY STORY!

HUSH, BOB! LET C.B. HANDLE THIS WAY!



HE WON'T OPEN HIS DOOR TO ANYONE, C.B.! I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU'RE GOING TO GET IN TO SEE HIM!



GO! YOU'VE FINALLY COME! BUT I WON'T LET YOU KILL ME!



WAIT! LET ME EXPLAIN!

I'VE KEPT THIS GUN FOR JUST THIS MOMENT!



I DON'T WANT TO HURT YOU! I'M YOUR FRIEND! I BELIEVE YOUR STORY!



NOW, WHO WOULD WANT TO FRIGHTEN YOU? THINK! I'M SURE IT'S NOT LETTY—SHE LOVES YOU! WHAT ABOUT BOB? WOULD HE HAVE ANY MOTIVES?

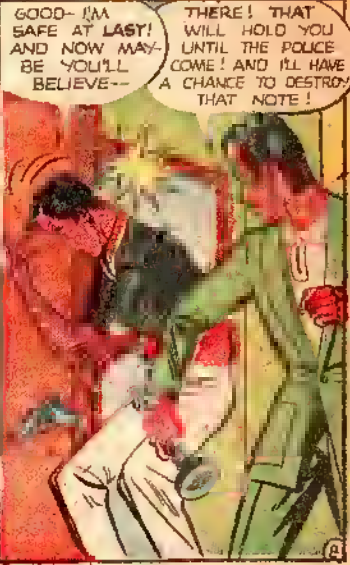
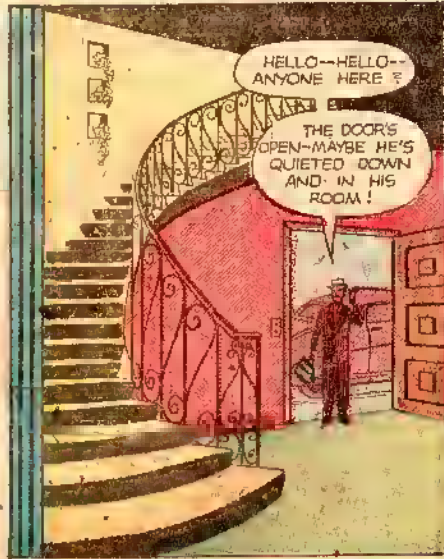
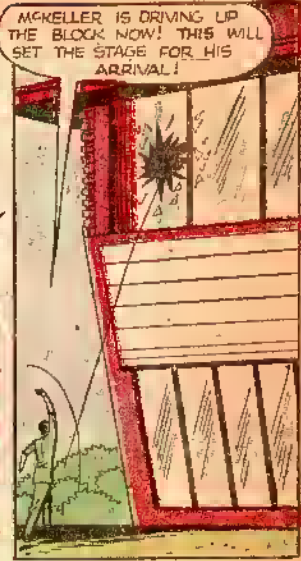
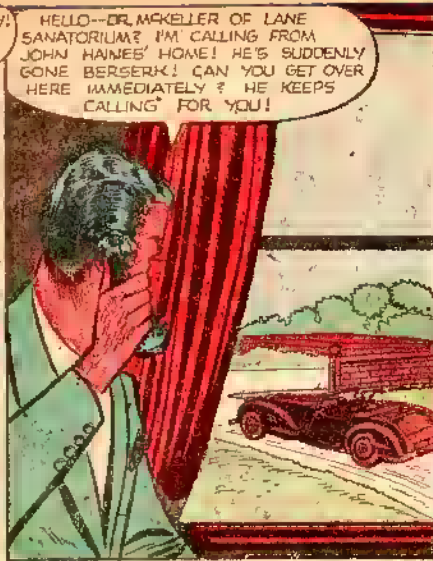
BOB! HE'S MY BEST FRIEND! OF COURSE, HE HAD PLANNED TO MARRY LETTY, AND THEN I CAME BACK AND SPOILED THINGS... BUT HE WAS A WONDERFUL SPORT ABOUT IT! WE LEFT THE DECISION TO LETTY!



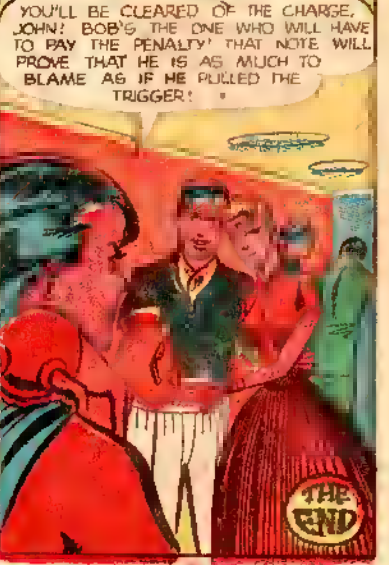
HILL... I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THAT! WELL, I'LL RUN ALONG AND SEE IF I CAN GET ANY CLUES FROM THE ENVELOPE! MEANTIME, MAYBE YOU'D BETTER GIVE ME THE GUN BACK!

NO! I MUST HAVE IT TO PROTECT MYSELF! I WON'T USE IT UNLESS SOMEONE ATTEMPTS TO ATTACK ME—I PROMISE!









THE END



# THIS IS YOUR PAGE

## WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Dear Reader:

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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

**BOY** is my favorite comic because all the stories seem so realistic. When I read them I can almost place myself in one of the character's place and feel just as he did.

Annette Thibault  
12218 Mesaba Ave.  
Artesia, Calif.

I have read **BOY Comics** for over a year now, and I want to say that it is the best book I have ever read. In **BOY** you learn how to do right instead of wrong. I've gotten all the boys in my neighborhood interested in reading **BOY**, and they, too, agree that it is the best book anyone can read.

Doyle Jones  
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I want to compliment **BOY Comics** for the fine job it is doing. I am eleven years old, and I think that it is a wonderful book for teaching growing children, containing sensible happenings to content unsatisfied minds. All of your comics are welcome on my reading list.

Michael Pokalsky  
R. D. #1  
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Recently I went downtown to the drug store to buy a magazine. I didn't have any particular one in mind, so when I saw **BOY Comics** on the stand I picked it up and glanced through a few pages. It looked very interesting, so I bought it and read it. As far as I'm concerned I made a rather good choice, and from now on I'm going to be a steady reader. For the one thing that I liked about this book is that the characters seem human. Congratulations on your fine work.

G. Skarpelas  
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I am a boy of fifteen, which is sometimes the age when one is apt to get into serious trouble. I buy **BOY Comics** every month, for each issue tells me to watch myself or it might be me the next time who is getting into trouble. **BOY**, in addition to affording me a great deal of enjoyment, will also help me during life.

Jim Garman  
91 West Linton  
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I am a steady reader of **BOY** and **DAREDEVIL**, and my son and husband are real fans of these magazines, too. I began reading them while in the hospital, where they were given to me by an elderly patient. I'm due to go back to the hospital again, and you can bet **BOY** and **DAREDEVIL** will go along too to help cheer me up. Keep 'em coming.

Mrs. Mildred Lang  
290 Mohawk Street  
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I read **BOY Comics** every chance I get, and I enjoy each issue very much. My mother, who reads most of my books, says that **BOY** is the best, because it really proves that crime does not pay.

Shirley Smith  
794 Elk Street  
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I just finished reading **BOY** #44. I always read comics which are published by Lev Gleason and edited by Charles Biro and Bob Wood, because I think they're really swell. After I read **BOY**, **CRIME AND PUNISHMENT**, **DAREDEVIL**, **CRIME DOES NOT PAY**, and **BLACK DIAMOND**, my grandmother asks me to tell her what the stories are about. She always enjoys them, and always adds that they are grand stories for me to read.

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Aklan College  
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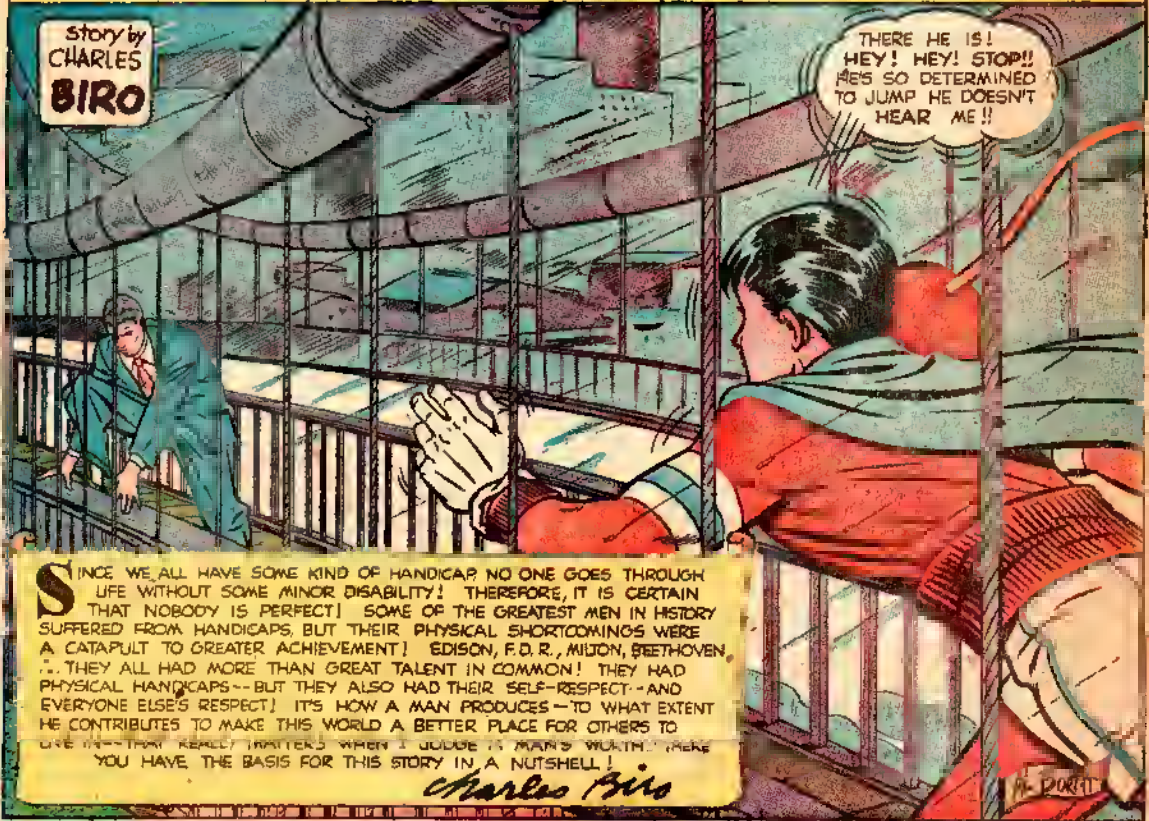
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## AND THE DEAF ONE!

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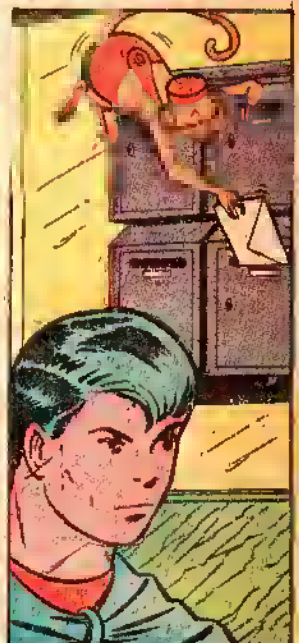


**S**INCE WE ALL HAVE SOME KIND OF HANDICAP NO ONE GOES THROUGH LIFE WITHOUT SOME MINOR DISABILITY! THEREFORE, IT IS CERTAIN THAT NOBODY IS PERFECT! SOME OF THE GREATEST MEN IN HISTORY SUFFERED FROM HANDICAPS, BUT THEIR PHYSICAL SHORTCOMINGS WERE A CATAPULT TO GREATER ACHIEVEMENT! EDISON, F.D.R., MILTON, BEETHOVEN, ... THEY ALL HAD MORE THAN GREAT TALENT IN COMMON! THEY HAD PHYSICAL HANDICAPS--BUT THEY ALSO HAD THEIR SELF-RESPECT--AND EVERYONE ELSE'S RESPECT! IT'S HOW A MAN PRODUCES--TO WHAT EXTENT HE CONTRIBUTES TO MAKE THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE FOR OTHERS TO LIVE IN--THAT REALLY MATTERS WHEN I JUDGE A MAN'S WORTH! THERE YOU HAVE THE BASIS FOR THIS STORY IN A NUTSHELL!

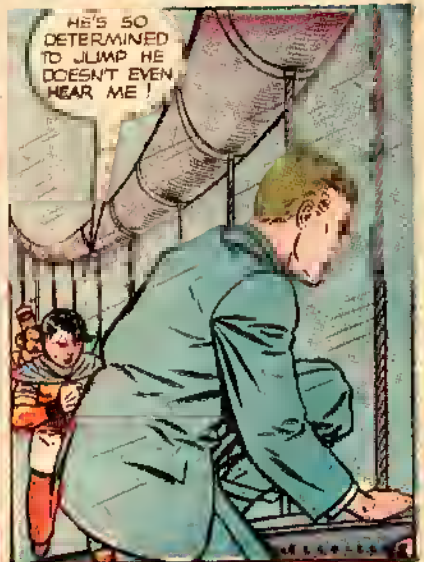
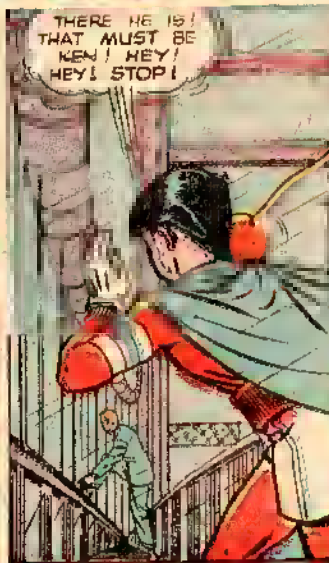
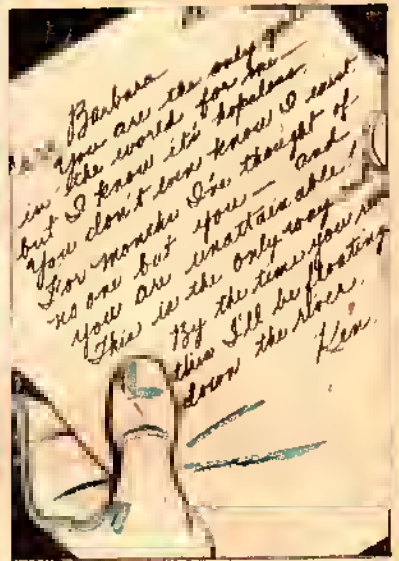
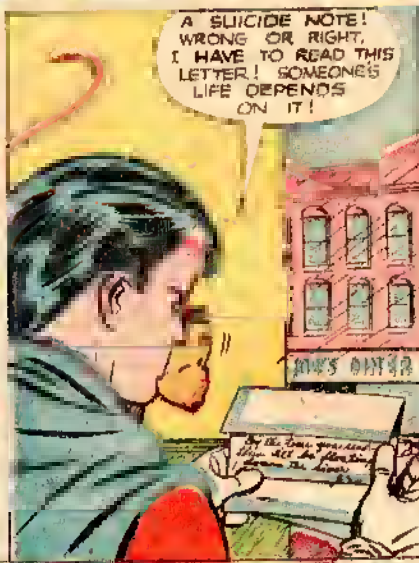
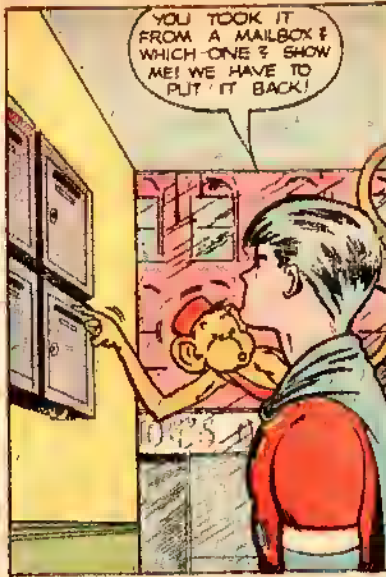
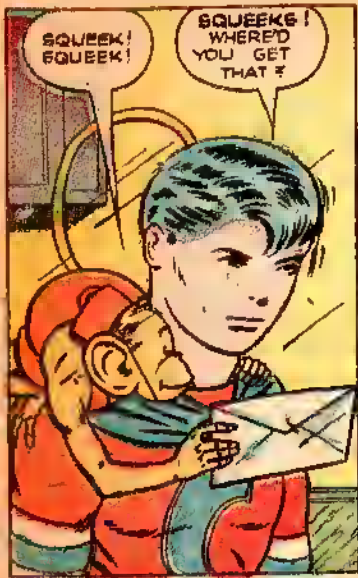
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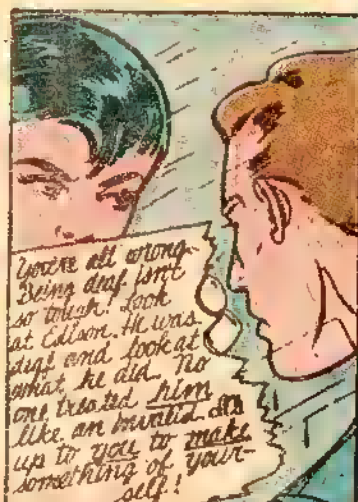
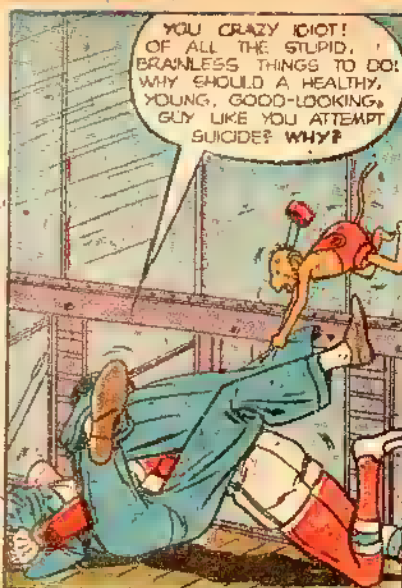
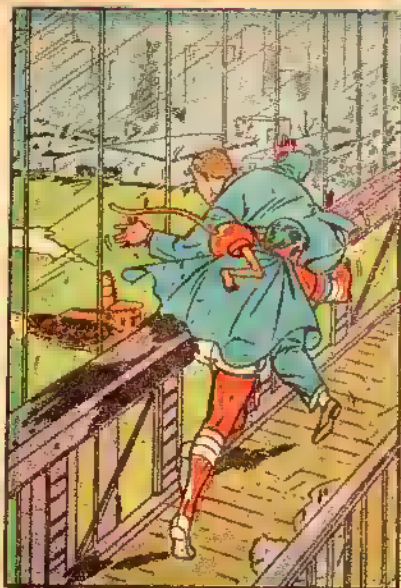
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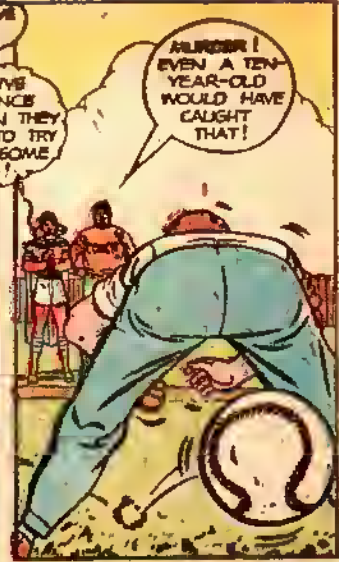








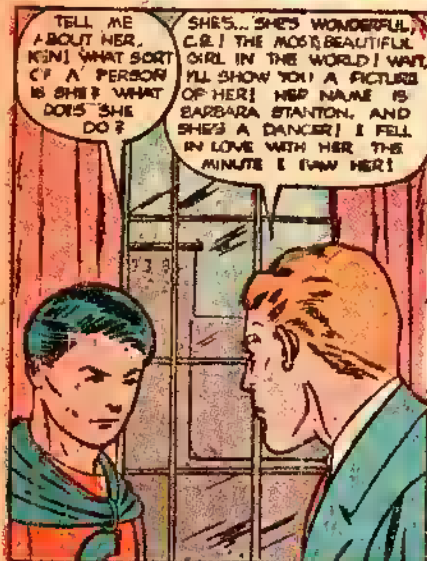
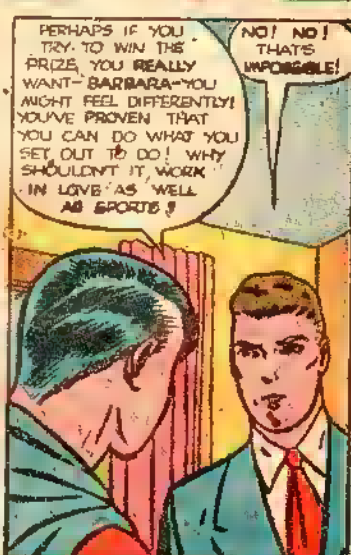
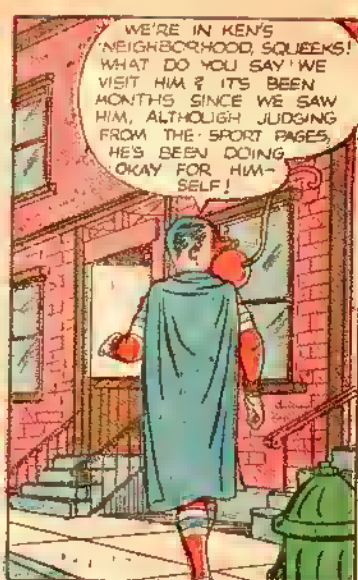




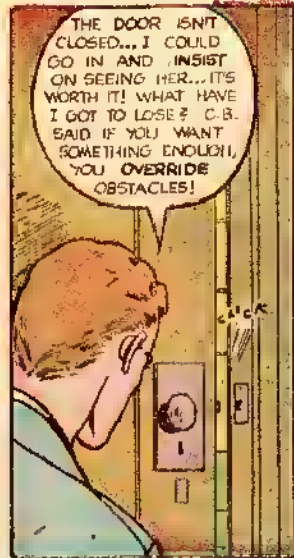
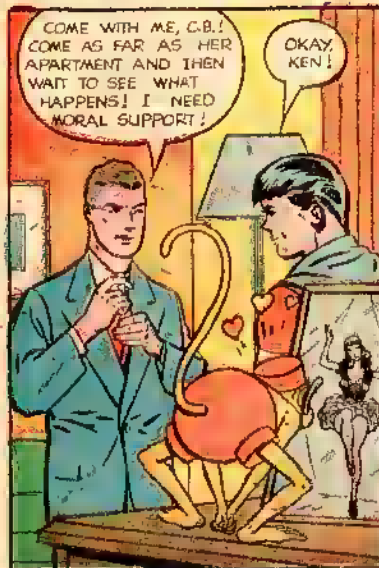




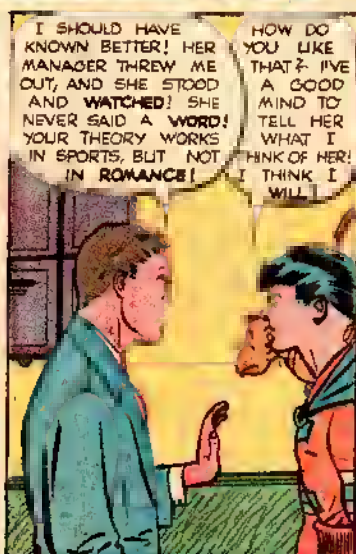
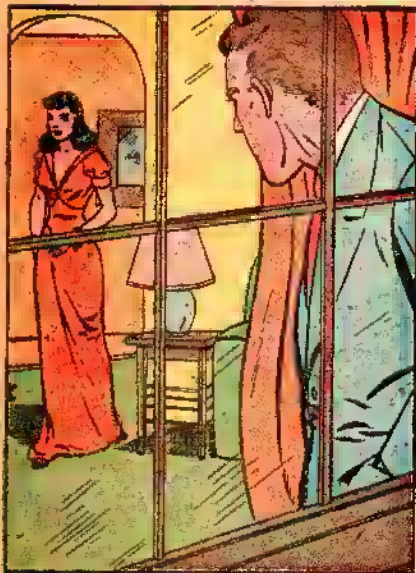




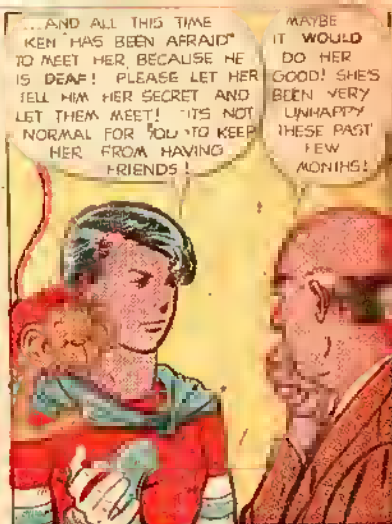
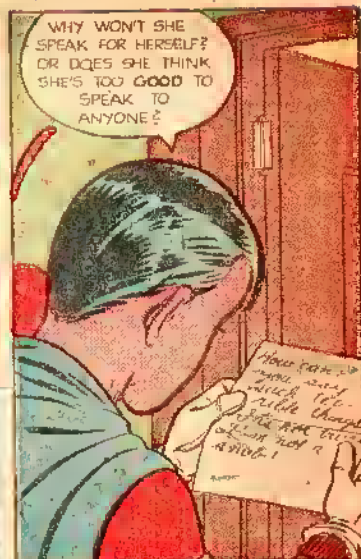
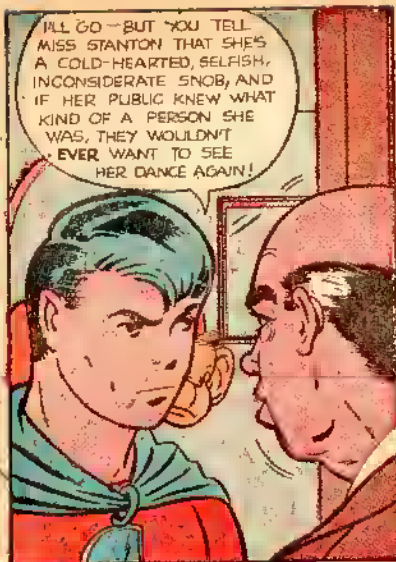




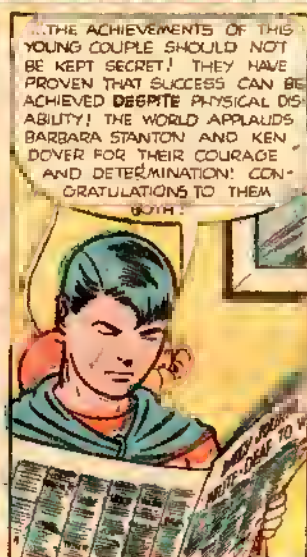
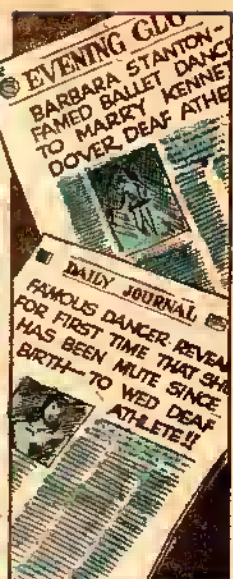
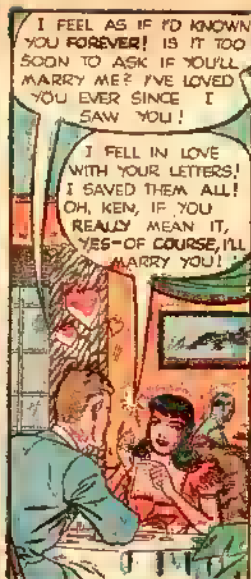














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## STAMP PAGE by SIDNEY M. ELIAS

## The Condor

ONE of the largest existing birds of flight, is the condor. Its average length is four feet from its beak to the end of its tail, while its wings have a spread of approximately nine feet from tip to tip. It is a member of the vulture family and enjoys carrion (decaying flesh of dead animals). One condor of average size has been observed to devour a calf, a sheep, and a dog during a single week. When in search of food they are known to attack sheep, goats, and deer. Shepherds hunt them down when they observed in their vicinity in order to protect their flock. The condor is easily caught for it is a stupid bird being more intent on a feast than on its own safety. Because of this fact, a barricade is made of sticks and stones and a dead animal is placed within it. When the condor sees the carcass it swoops down for a feast. Having devoured the animal and often to excess, the extra weight requires him to make an added run to get off the ground. His flight is thus similar to that of an airplane in which a dash down a runway must be made before it can take to the air. Being blocked by the barricade, the bird cannot easily fly and is captured or killed. As the condor is a heavy sleeper and sleeps most of the day, many are caught by climbing up a tree and noosing them before they awaken.

The condors are found in South America along the Andes Mountains from the equator to the Straits of Magellan. The favorite roosts are at heights of 10,000 to 16,000 feet and at levels where there is perpetual snow. They are powerful and graceful flyers for they sail in the air without flapping their wings.

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# MR. TOODLEY'S TIRE

"BOY, this is the roughest going I've ever seen," panted Jock, as he pedalled his bike up the icy, winding road. "We sure were nuts to take this trip!"

"Oh, it's not so bad," said Scarecrow, "we had a good day's skating out of it. There's no place left with good ice except Hasell's Lake, and the fact that it's so hard to get to meant that we had it all to ourselves. The only thing is I wish we had started back earlier. It's going to be way after dark before we get home. Oops!" Scarecrow's hike swerved. It took all his balance to keep from going over on the ice. "Geeminy, it's slick!"

The four wise guys panted and puffed their way up the long hill. The early winter evening was already beginning to fall, even though it wasn't much past four o'clock.

Suddenly Curly's bike skidded out of control! The wheel slipped sideways, and caught Pee Wee's bike as he pedalled by. The two boys and their bikes went down in a tangle of gears and tires.

"Yow! Ouch!" Pee Wee painfully disentangled himself. "Boy, that road is hard as glass. I should have a portable mattress fastened under my hike for times like . . . Hey, look! My tire! It's slashed right down the middle! That jagged ire ripped it in two. What the heck am I goin' to do now?"

Scarecrow and Jock pulled up. "The nearest garage is way back at Crawford Corners," said Jock. "Well, I guess there's nothing to do but go back and see if we can get it fixed. Why don't you and Curly stay here, Pee Wee, and Scarecrow and I will take the tire back. It shouldn't take us more than a half an hour."

A few minutes later the two boys were pedalling back down the road as fast as they dared, the damaged tire dangling from Jock's shoulder. As they rounded a blind corner, they suddenly discovered the road completely blocked by a large white horse pulling the gaudiest and toost mis-shapen van they had ever laid their eyes on. The two skidded to a halt and stared. The first thing they noticed was a straw-haired, chubby little man seated in the front of the van, the reins hooked around his wrist, his bands and mouth busy enticing a rollicking song out of a battered harmonica. Then they saw, in large gilt letters on the side of the van, the words "TOODLEY'S TRAVELLING TRADING-POST," and underneath, in red and white, "Trinkets and Trappings."

"Whoa, Pygmalion!" The horse stopped.

"Ah, ha! Don Quixote and Sancho Panza out hunting for windmills to lasso!" His piping voice was as jolly as the tune he had been playing. "Allow me to introduce myself, Tobias T Toodley. The middle initial doesn't mean a thing. It just looks right!"

The two boys stared, open-mouthed. Then Jock managed to say, "This is Scarecrow and I'm Jock. We're not looking for windmills. We're looking for a new bicycle tire."

"Tire, schmire!" cackled Mr. Toodley. "I've got books and hooks and boxes and phloxes and grapes and capes and candy that's dandy and nuts! The kind you chew, the kind you screw, and the kind you have in your head!"

"Whew! Nuts is right!" whispered Scarecrow. Then he called up, "That's wonderful, Mr. Toodley, but all we need is a tire, a bicycle tire like this!"

"Time to retire, go sit on a spire!" he chanted. "Toodley's General Emporium-On-Wheels of Miscellaneous Merchandise and Foolish Frivolities has everything a person would want! Shoes with no soles for not getting where you don't want to go! Boxes that won't open for things you want people to be curious about. Salt shakers with no holes for seasoning food that's already quite salty enough!"

Jock, entranced with the piping salesman, pointed to an odd-shaped bottle dangling from the side of the van and said, "What's that?"

"That?" replied Mr. Toodley. "That? He-be-be-be! That's my newest invention. That's a bottle with a conscience for people who drink too much. When you start to unscrew the cap, there's a needle inside that scrapes a recorded thread on the bottle and says, 'Take it easy, breezy, you've got a long way to slide!' Only one of a hundred items, boys. One of a hundred!"

"But no bicycle tires?" said Jock.

"Who said, 'No tires'?" asked Mr. Toodley. "Now it just so happens . . ." He fastened the reins to the seat, jumped to the ground, and opened the side of the van. The boys peered inside and saw the most fantastic maze of miscellaneous articles they had ever seen. Mr. Toodley really had everything, or so it looked. "A bicycle tire. Hm-m-m. Yes, indeed, a bicycle tire. A foot-warmer wouldn't do, would it?"

Jock shook his head, "No, a foot-warmer wouldn't get us home."

"Or a small hamster, trained to turn somersaults?" asked Mr. Toodley.

"No. No hamsters," laughed Jock. "Just a bicycle tire."

"Yes, indeed." The piping voice came from the depths of the van. "Now just the other day I said to myself, 'Toodley, Tobias T., what you need in stock is a fine bicycle tire' and I immediately set out to correct this short . . . Yes, here it is, right where I put it myself. Pygmalion has chewed it up a bit—cutting a tooth, you know—but it's in perfect shape otherwise."

He scrambled down from the van, carrying with him the oddest tire Jock and Scarecrow had ever seen. "Geel!" exclaimed Scarecrow, "that doesn't look like a bike tire to me!"

"Of course, it's a bicycle tire," Mr. Toodley replied. "It's just a new variety! It's solid rubber, so it won't go flat! It's adjustable, so it will fit any wheel! It's peppermint-striped, so it looks delectable! What more could you ask?"

Jock and Scarecrow looked at each other, then at the tire. "Why not?" said Jock. "The garage at Crawford Corners will be closed by this time, so let's give this a try. After all, why couldn't there be a tire like that?" Completely hypnotized by the Mr. Toodley's sales talk, they took the tire. It really was pretty good.

"How much is it?" asked Jock.

"How much for such?" Mr. Toodley, "what price is nice? Money? Shmoney! I'll tell you what I'll do for you. I'll trade you a new tire for an old, a whole



tire for a bad!"

Still transfixed by the sing-song patter of the chubby little salesman, the boys handed him Pee Wee's torn tire and took the strange, peppermint-striped tire instead. Then, waving good-bye, they mounted their bikes and wheeled back to join Pee Wee and Curly.

Pee Wee gaped as they held the tire out to him. "What the dickens is *that*?" he asked. "Ate you fellows nuts?"

"Why-a . . . Well, you see . . ." stammered Scarecrow. "Well, this Mr. Toodley . . . well, he had a van-and-and he seemed awfully smart-and he-he'd thought up this new kind of tire. I'm sure it'll work!" he added, with a worried smile and false enthusiasm.

"I think you two guys are off your bean! Where's my old tire?" demanded Pee Wee, crossly.

"He was very nice," said Scarecrow. "He took the ruined one for this. He didn't want any money-I mean money, at all."

Pee Wee glared at Scarecrow. "You mean you gave him my good tire-for *this*? Why, you sawdust-brain, that tire of mine was a real one, and it could be repaired! What am I supposed to do with *this*?"

Curly took the tire and looked it over. "I guess there's nothing to do but try it. What if it *does* work?" The Wise Guys went to work. For a minute it really did look as though the tire might be all right. Mr. Toodley had claimed, till Pee Wee took a second look at it and hollered, "Do you know what this thing is? It's nothing but a garden hose stuffed with cotton and painted. It's worth about ten cents!" He looked threateningly at Jock and Scarecrow, who, realizing how they had been duped, were trying to think of some way to provide a new tire for Pee Wee. Darkness had fallen on the angry little group. Suddenly there was the gentle clop-clop of hooves, intertwined with the skipping notes of a harmonica.

"There he is!" shouted Jock. "I'll trach him to pull a trick like that!" He and Scarecrow raced down the road. TOODLEY'S TRAVELLING TRADING-POST rounded the bend and stopped in front of the boys. "Why, Mr. Quixote and Mr. Panza," piped the chubby little man, "how delightful to sight you again. Do you like my punch-proof, kid-safe, peppermint candy-tire? How nice . . ."

"Nice, nothing!" exclaimed Jock. "We want Pee Wee's tire back-and right away, you crooked skin-fint!"

"What!" Mr. Toodley cocked his head in surprise. "You want to arrange an exchange? To repeal the deal? Anything you say, my friends-at a price!"

"You mean you're going to make us buy back that tire?" demanded Jock. "You certainly won't get a penny . . ."

Reaching behind him, Mr. Toodley pulled Pee Wee's tire out from under the seat. "Here you are, kind sirs." Pee Wee reached up for the tire, then exclaimed, "You fixed it! It's all okay!"

"A speck of spit, a spot of cement, and the tire is good as new!" sang Mr. Toodley. Pee Wee knelt down and put the tire on. Mr. Toodley hopped down and pulled a tire pump out of his voluminous cape, and soon the bike was as good as new.

"Gee, that's wonderful! Thanks loads!" The Wise Guys turned to thank him.

"You've forgotten something, I believe," chirped Mr. Toodley. "The price! Remember the price!" The Wise Guys looked at each other in dismay, then Jock said, "We haven't got much money. How much do you want?"

"About two dollars ought to do it," he replied.

"Two dollars! We haven't got that much!" said Jock.

"Then, gentlemen, your bicycles as security," said Mr. Toodley, smiling as though the loss of their bikes would be the nicest surprise in the world for the boys. He reached down, picked up Pee Wee's bike and swung it into the van.

"Hey! You can't do that!" protested Pee Wee. But Mr. Toodley paid no attention, and reached for Jock's bike. Jock leaped toward him in anger and tried to pull it away from him. Mr. Toodley, caught off balance, fell, the bike underneath him.

"Now look what you've done!" Jock said furiously. "You've bent the wheel on my bike! Don't think you're going to get away with this, 'cause you're not!" Mr. Toodley picked himself up and looked at the boys in dismay and surprise. "You shouldn't be angry," he said. "It's a pity, but a price is a price!"

Pee Wee yanked at Jock's arm. "Come here a minute," he whispered. "I've got an idea. We're stuck here anyway, with the wheel on your bike bent now. Let's pretend to let him take our bikes if he'll give us a ride into town. Then when we get there, we can take our bikes back from him."

"Good idea, Pee Wee," replied Jock. He went over to Mr. Toodley. "Okay, so you've got our bikes. But we haven't got any way to get home now. The least you can do is give us a lift."

"Gladly, gladly! I like your bikes-and I like your company even more!" The boys hopped on the back of the wagon, and Mr. Toodley headed toward town. All the way, the Wise Guys plotted the best way to regain their bikes, now locked inside the van. As they neared the outskirts, Pee Wee hopped off the wagon after a whispered consultation with the others. He raced for the nearest store and phoned Daredevil. . . . and he's got our bikes, D.D. The wagon's beaded toward Graham Avenue-it's a great big gandy van. You can't miss it!"

Twenty minutes later, a police car, siren wailing, pulled up in front of TOODLEY'S TRAVELLING TRADING-POST. Daredevil got out and was instantly greeted with the shouts of the three Wise Guys. "He's got our bikes, D.D.! He tried to rook us with a crooked tire deal, too!"

Daredevil turned toward Toodley. "What's the idea of taking those bikes from these . . . Why, Tobias Toodley, what're you doing in this part of the country? And what about this tire deal? That doesn't sound like you!"

"You've ruined my joke, Daredevil," said Toodley, sadly. "There's nothing I like better than a little joke, and I really had the boys scared."

"Joke!" exclaimed Pee Wee. "You mean you weren't *really* taking our bikes? You were just kidding?"

"Yep! And providing you with a short lesson on not letting yourselves be rooked with a garden-louse tire!" replied Toodley.

Daredevil could hardly speak for laughing when he had heard the complete story. "He really had you coming and going, boys. Toodley, your tricks are really going to get you in trouble one of these days. In the meantime, how about considering supper with us as a fair price for fixing the tire? And you can park your van at the Wise Guys' barn as long as you want."

"Excellent!" chirped Mr. Toodley. "And perhaps there will be just enough time to fix Jock's bike before supper-for a price, of course," he added, laughing. "That you let me add Toodley's Ring-Ding Bingle Bell for Soothing Savage Traffic to all of your bikes!"

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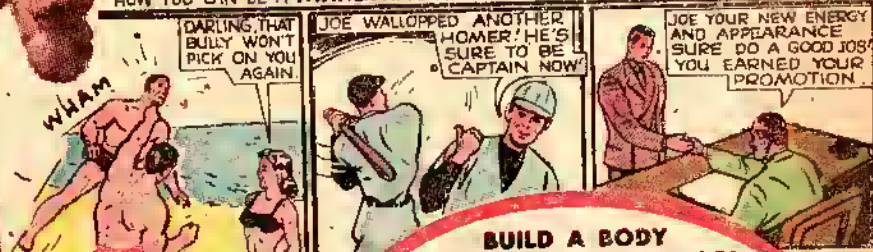
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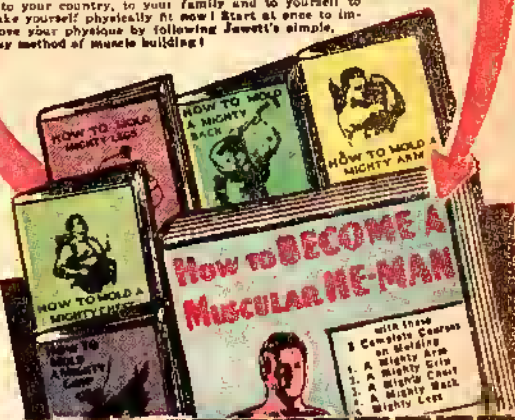
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